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MR CHURCHILL ANSWERS HIS CRITICS: STINGING RETORT Receives Overwhelming Vote Of Confidence

MR WINSTON CHURCHILL YESTERDAY WOUND UP THE HOUSE OF COMMONS DEBATE ON THE CONDUCT OF THE WAR WITH A CHARACTERISTICALLY BRILLIANT ORATION, AT THE END OF WHICH HE ASKED FOR A VOTE OF CONFIDENCE AND WAS ACCORDED IT WITH AN OVERWHELMING MAJORITY.

THE PREMIER MADE STINGING REPLIES TO THE CRITICISMS OF BOTH MR LLOYD GEORGE AND MR HORE-BELISHA, DESCRIBING MR LLOYD GEORGE'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE DEBATE AS A SPEECH "WHICH I THINK THE ILLUSTRIOUS MARSHAL PETAIN MIGHT WELL HAVE ENLIVENED THE DAYS OF M. REYNAUD'S CABINET."

IRAQIS ON THE RETREAT

Suffer Heavy Casualties

Special to the "Telegraph"

CAIRO, May 7 (UP).—To-day's General Headquarters communique states: "In Iraq yesterday British troops operating from Habbaniyah drove the enemy from positions on the plateau overlooking the cantonment. In this successful action the enemy suffered heavy losses whereas our casualties were slight."

British Success At Tobruk

Enemy Posts Attacked

CAIRO, May 7 (Reuter).—British troops successfully attacked forward posts around Tobruk on Monday night, says a communique. They inflicted casualties and took a number of prisoners.

After failing last week to take Tobruk by assault, enemy pressure appears to be easing. It is learned here, a Dive-bombing which reached a climax between May 1 and 3 has now slackened. The enemy are trying to hold a shallow dent in the south-west corner of Tobruk. They are in an uncomfortable position, frequently counter-attacked by the British forces and often shelled.

Both sides are suffering from the stifling sandstorm which is blowing all along the coast and again made communication and observation, difficult on Tuesday.

In Sollum Area

In the Sollum area, British mechanised forces continue vigorous patrolling activities. A British mobile unit which swept round behind Bardia and Capuzzo on May 3 and 4 has caused the Germans to send patrols into the desert far south of Sollum to prevent a repetition of the exploit.

The Germans are being supplied to some extent by Junkers-52 troop-carrying planes but many of these have already been destroyed by the R.A.F. and their journeys are becoming hazardous as reinforcements to the R.A.F. arrive in the Western Desert.

The R.A.F. raided the aerodromes of Benina, Derna, Gazala and Berva during Monday night, causing fires and explosions while on the

"The R.A.F. rendered continuous close support during the attack, bombing and machine-gunning the Iraqis frequently, and keeping them on the move during their withdrawal towards Fallujah."

"In the Basra area, the situation continues to be quiet and unchanged. At Tobruk during the night of May 5-6 our troops successfully attacked the forward enemy posts inflicting casualties and taking prisoners. During yesterday, communications and observation were made difficult by a severe sandstorm and further details are lacking."

Driven From Positions
An R.A.F. communique states that the Iraqis were driven further from their positions on the high ground covering the road to Fallujah yesterday morning while the British were clearing the plateau. Heavy casualties were inflicted on the Iraqis who withdrew towards Fallujah leaving 300 prisoners. Our casualties were negligible.

"Constant air-patrol is being maintained over enemy positions and aircraft are bringing up reinforcements to Habbaniyah and removing women and children to safety."

The communique added that the Iraqis who seized the pumping station between Rutba and the border have surrendered.

Mediation Will Fail
ISTANBUL, May 7 (UP).—It is known that Turkey has made mediation attempts in the British-Iraq conflict, but authorised diplomatic quarters here believe that any successful mediation is highly unlikely.

It is reported here that Emir Abdullah of Transjordan and the former Premier Duki Sabb-Pasha are now on Iraq soil under British protection.

Rutbah Occupied
LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—British forces have occupied Rutbah on the pipeline from the Mosul oil fields to Haifa according to a Rome dispatch to the official German news agency.

Iraqi forces occupied Rutbah last Friday after attacking and taking prisoner an unarmed British working party.

previous night Calote aerodrome in Rhodes was successfully raided, causing considerable damage and a large fire.

SAD AND SQUALID TALE OF VICHY

LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—Continuing his statement in the House of Commons to-day in the debate on the war situation, Mr Winston Churchill said:

"It would be possible to dilate at length upon the sad and squalid tale of what is going on in Vichy, but I really do not think that we should profit ourselves well if we tarried long on that painful spectacle."

Mr Churchill thanked Mr Lloyd George for the great restraint with which he spoke about a country whose relations are so highly valued by us and whose part to play in this great world conflict is of the greatest importance (Cheers).

"There are two points on which I can relieve his feelings and anxieties about Turkey. The first is about the vessels which carried the German troops through the Dardanelles to take the Greek islands. They had no right to stop them."

Mr Churchill then read the Article of the Convention dealing with the Straits and added, with reference to the merchantmen: "I believe that one of them might have been used in the

Vichy-Nazi Accord Closer

Daily Payments Cut

VICHY, May 7 (Reuter).—An agreement between Admiral Darlan, the Vichy Foreign Minister, and Herr Otto Abetz, the Nazi Ambassador to France, is announced, providing for modification of restrictions on the demarcation line between the Occupied and Unoccupied zones in France and a reduction in the costs of the German Army of occupation.

With regard to the occupation costs, it is envisaged that as a first step France's daily payments will be reduced by 25 per cent. from 400,000,000 francs to 300,000,000. Other questions have still to be decided.

Workers' Feelings

ZURICH, May 7 (Reuter).—"French workers like the great mass of the French public inwardly reject the policy of rapprochement with Germany, although some Trade Union leaders support Laval," states the newspaper "Volksrecht" describing conditions in France.

The fact that at almost every street corner is a D. G. (big) sign (a big sign) surrounding the Cross of Lorraine is scrawled on houses speaks for itself, as does the habitual disinclination of the people to telephone at mid-day or during the evening in order not to disturb listeners to British broadcasts in French.

The German buy up far the greater part of the goods arriving at Marseilles. The goods are carried northward in German railway wagons which are visible to anyone.

German Traffic

Marseilles dislikes the spectacle of German wagons bringing coal for

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U. S. Move To Seize 100 Axis Ships

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, May 7 (UP).—The House to-day approved by a vote of 266 to 120, a Bill empowering the President to take over more than 100 merchant ships owned by Germany and Italy and the conquered nations.

The Bill was sent to the Senate. It provides that compensation for many of the vessels seized will be applied to the war debts

of the United States.

Mr Churchill then read the Article of the Convention dealing with the Straits and added, with reference to the merchantmen: "I believe that one of them might have been used in the

occupation of the island but there were other vessels in the possession of the Germans and Italians which could have equally been used for that purpose. This matter is a question of interpretation of the Treaty and is a matter for Turkey."

Mr Churchill referred to the remark by Mr Lloyd George about the agreement between Turkey and Iraq and said that Mr Lloyd George was evidently referring to Iran. "I am happy to be able to relieve Mr Lloyd George's anxiety. It appears that the arrangement is between Turkey and Persia and not between Turkey and Iraq which we knew all about and which was prepared for some time and put into force from April, 1941."

Not Helpful Speech
"I do not think that Mr Lloyd George's speech is particularly helpful in a period of what he himself has called discouragement and disheartenment. It is not the sort of speech one would have expected from a great war leader of former days who was accustomed to brush aside despondency and push onward to a distant goal. It is a speech with which I think the illustrious Marshal Petain might well have enlivened the days of M. Reynaud's Cabinet (Laughter)."

"I am grateful to him for one note he struck, namely, that he made it clear we should close our debate by a vote of confidence. Because of the kind of speech that we heard from him, I think the Government was right to put down a vote of confidence; after our reverses and disappointments in the field they have the right to know where they stand with the Commons and where the Commons stands with the country."

No Exaggeration
"It is still more important for the sake of foreign nations, especially nations balancing their policy at the present time, and who should be left in no doubt about the stability of this resolved and obstinate war government. It is essential, considering the tremendous issues at stake—and really, not to exaggerate the frightful risks we are all going to run and which are being run—we should have certitude upon these matters. In enemy countries there is the liveliest interest in our proceedings. I flatter myself that high hopes are entertained that all will not go well with His Majesty's present advisers at the present time."

"The only way in which these doubts can be removed or these expectations discouraged is by a full debate followed by a division. The Government is entitled to ask that such a vote shall express itself in unmistakable terms."

Irritating Criticism
I should be the last to reject even unfair criticism or fair criticism which is so much more searching, but there is a kind of criticism which is a little irritating."

"When a bystander sees a team of horses dragging a heavy wagon uphill and cuts a switch from the hedge and belabours them, he may well be animated by benevolent purpose and benefit may result from his efforts to get the wagon up more quickly to the top. But it would be a pity if this debate consisted wholly of critical remarks. I should be the last to reject even unfair criticism or fair criticism which is so much more searching, but there is a kind of criticism which is a little irritating."

Churchill and Hore-Belisha Clash In Lively War Debate

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, May 7 (UP).—The Prime Minister, Mr Winston Churchill had a clash with Mr Hore-Belisha during the war debate to-day which threw the House of Commons into turmoil. Mr Churchill, referring to Mr Hore-Belisha's criticism of the shortage of tanks yesterday, taunted Mr Hore-Belisha for being very far-seeing now that he is no longer a member of the Government.

Dover Area Shelled

Spotter Plane Downed

LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—The Dover area to-night was rocked by a brief but vicious burst of shelling by German long-range guns mounted on the French coast.

The bombardment began in the bright light of the setting sun with salvos at intervals of several minutes. The shell-fire warning was sounded. Cinemas were emptied of audiences, who ran for cover.

One shell-burst turned over a car which caught fire.

Two people were killed and 12 injured altogether.

Anti-aircraft guns fired on Messerschmitts spotting for the German artillery. One Messerschmitt spiralled down out of control and is believed to have crashed in the Channel.

Dover Area Shelled

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, May 7 (UP).—At 9.20 p.m. German long-range guns briefly but viciously shelled the Dover area.

U.S. Navy Ready For Action, Says Knox

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, May 7 (UP).—When asked specifically to-day if the U.S. navy could handle the job that Colonel Stimson had suggested, Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy declared: "The fleet is always ready and is more ready now than ever before."

The Capital is embroiled in a crackling dispute over the sensational summons by Colonel Stimson for the all-out use of the navy.

Secretary Knox is scheduled to speak to-night and it is generally expected that he will go as far as Secretary Stimson, perhaps further. Colonel Knox to-day said that Secretary Stimson's address was a

Mr Hore-Belisha sprang to his feet and shouted, "I do not know by what right the Honourable Gentleman (Churchill) is indulging in these heavy recriminations. It is quite unworthy of him."

The remainder of his remarks was drowned out by shouts from the other members.

Later, Mr Churchill resumed his remarks stressing that the tank output had "since been greatly increased."

Turning to Libya, the Premier revealed that the German armed force which attacked there was not much larger than the British, "but tactical mistakes were committed and our armoured force became disorganised."

Confident of Success

Mr Churchill declared that the "loss of the Nile Valley, the Suez Canal and Malta would augment the heaviest blows we could sustain."

"We are determined to fight for them with all the resources of the British Empire and we have every reason to believe that we shall be successful."

Turning to the Battle of the Atlantic, he asserted, "we need a great deal more help from the United States."

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Nazis Lose Seven More Warplanes

Dog-Fights Over The English Coast

LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—

The number of enemy aircraft destroyed in daylight to-day was brought up to seven when R.A.F. fighters shot down a bomber off the north-east coast this evening.

There was considerable enemy activity off the south-east coast to-day and in a series of dog-fights, British fighters shot down six enemy fighters and severely damaged a number of others.

One Spitfire squadron got four of them in three different fights off the Kentish coast. Two British fighters are missing.

During daylight yesterday, four enemy fighters were destroyed—two by our fighters and two by A.A. fire. Five British fighters are missing from yesterday's operations, but three pilots are safe.

LATEST

Turks Hope To Escape Embroilment In War

LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—An article by the editor of the semi-official Turkish newspaper "Ulus" is quoted by the Ankara radio to-day under the title of "The Fuehrer's speech and our National Defence."

After pointing out that Turkey is now in contact with the new world war—or anarchy—the writer says that Turkey's unchanging policy is based on independence for national defence and national security.

Asking whether Turkey will be able to defend that policy under the new conditions, the writer says "we are determined to do so, and our desire is to follow our national policy and retain complete freedom."

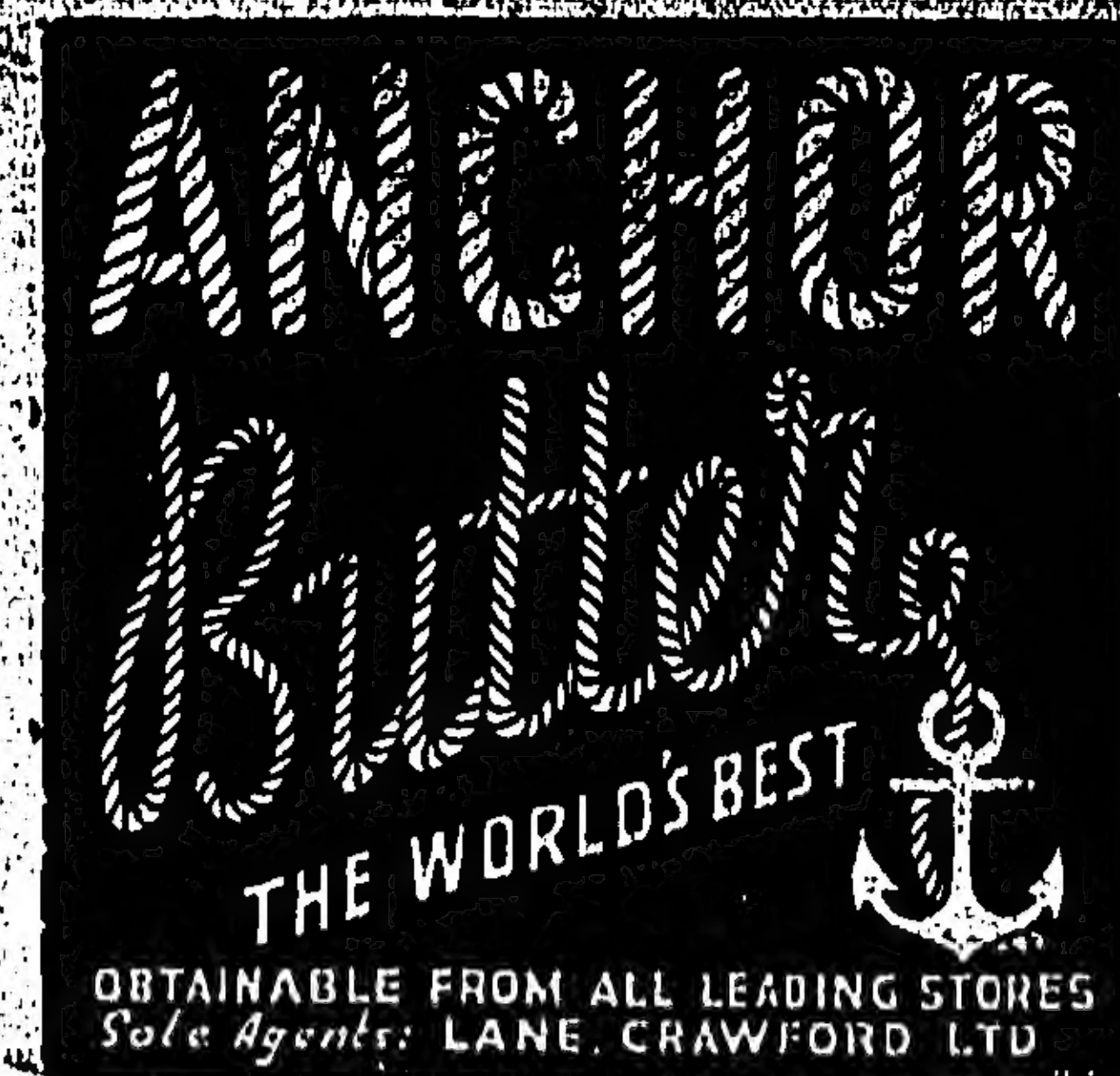
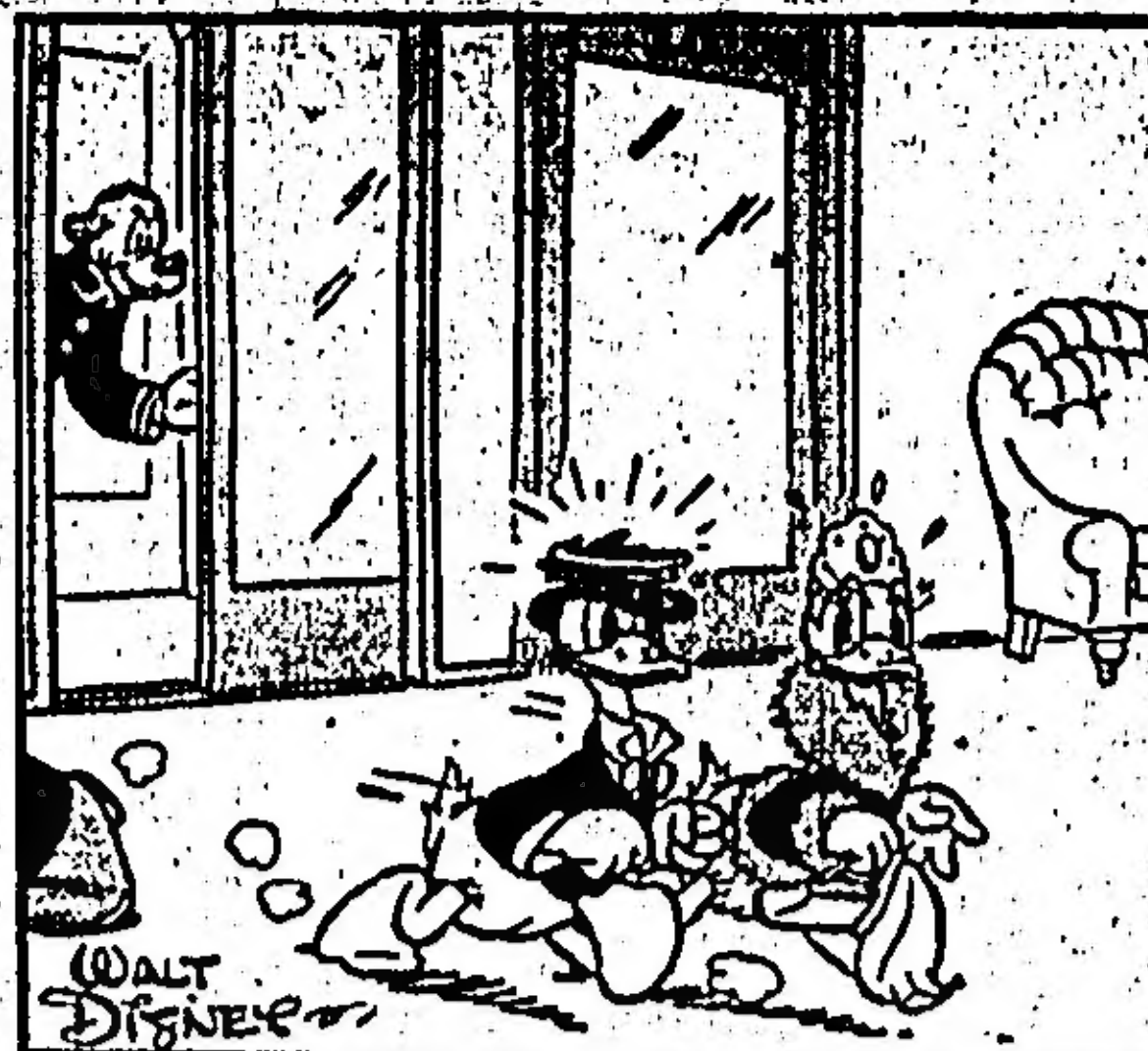
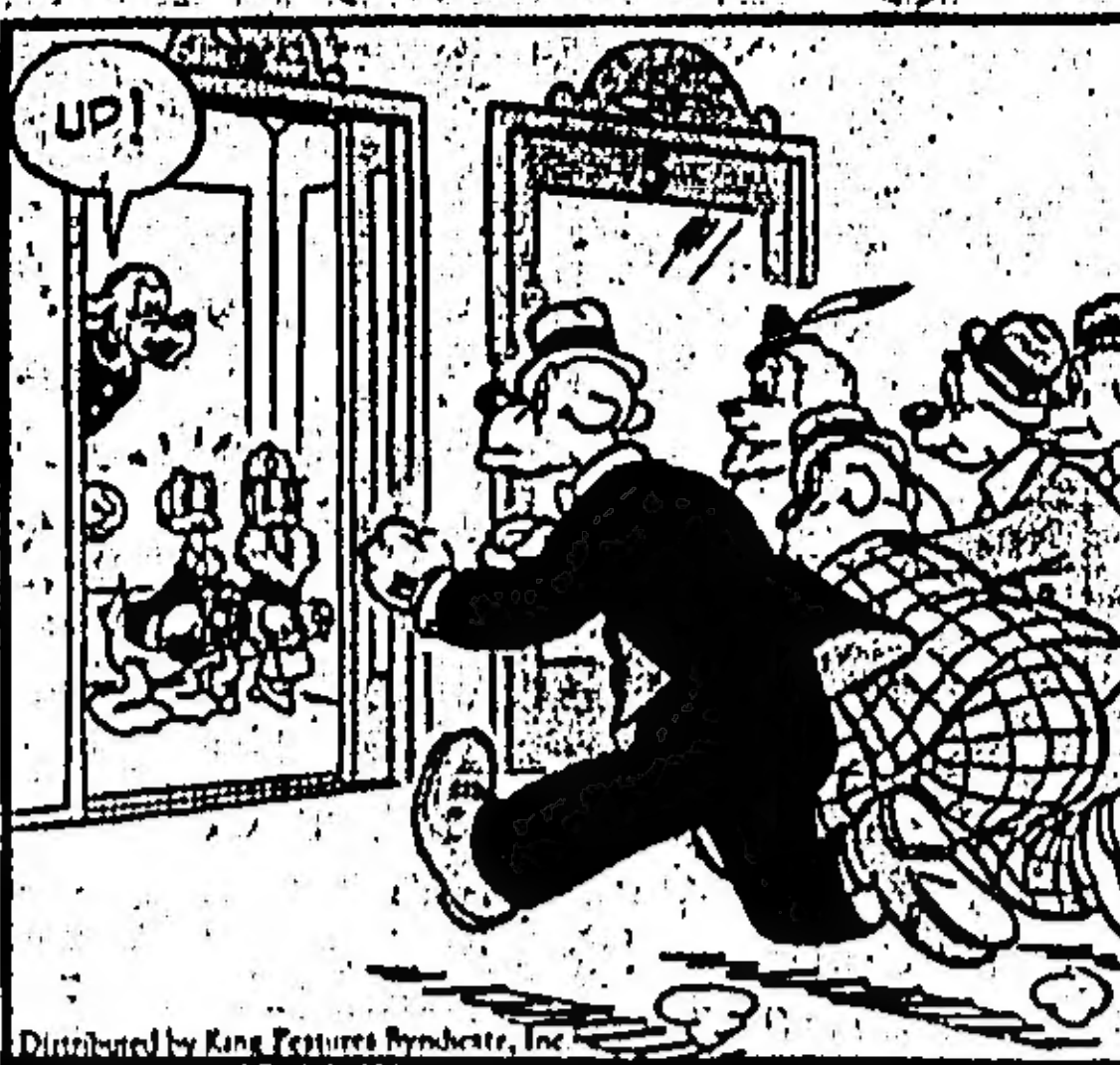
He says that the Turks looked for no advantage to themselves other

than to protect the inviolability of Turkey, the article says that Turkey has no designs on territory belonging to others, "nor have others the least right to ours."

The article concludes, "Turkey has passed through a twenty months' test in which she has convinced everyone that she will not provoke hostilities on her own frontier. As long as Germany remains faithful to her determination not to provoke war against Turkey and to abstain from giving rise to complications in this country, we too can feel sure that our peace will remain undisturbed. War did not begin in the east, nor will it end there."

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DONALD DUCK



GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



"If anybody wants me, dear, I'll be here in the orchard!"

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ACROSS

1-Corded fabric
2-Set for certain day
3-Used covering
4-Pointed arch
5-Ship & available
6-New York canal
7-Powder
8-Small fan
9-Notes in chest
10-Cover
11-Entered
12-Individuality
13-Obesity
14-Embodiment
15-Repeat
16-Loose of hair
17-Irregularity line
18-Of great age
19-Accident liquid
20-Projecting label
21-Reward of merit
22-Prize
23-Admiral
24-Cunning
25-Defeated in card game
26-Transgression
27-Worthless dog
28-Loyal
29-Manly
30-Premature for exchange
31-Motiv
32-Kind of wheel
33-Wise man
34-Literary mode

DOWN

1-Replication
2-American educator
3-Fur-bearing skin
4-Illid
5-Gambol
6-European mountain
7-Shooting match
8-Dutch cheese
9-Italer
10-Finders of sheep
11-Sea in Turkestan
12-Dark clay
13-Plant embryo
14-Turkish title
15-Scotch river
16-Tinged box
17-More deplorable
18-Poisonous serpent
19-Potter's clay
20-Immediate
21-Resurgence
22-Preter
23-Implies
24-Aleation
25-Diversion
26-Superiority
27-Win success
28-Habitual
29-Complete
30-Goal of players
31-Architectural molding
32-Ancestry
33-Paradise
34-Skin-eating monster
35-Commanded
36-Equal
37-Pause in music
38-Alto

The Epic of the "51st" In the Battle of France

By G. E. Ley Smith

The famous 51st Highland Division is ready for action again—and for revenge. Round the few hundred who escaped capture at St Valery in June last year, a new "Shock Division" has been built up, and these four Scots now eagerly await their next meeting with the Hun—in Britain should he venture over the Channel, or elsewhere if they have to seek him.

Of all the units in the British Army, the 51st is the most feared by the Nazis. So elated was the German High Command at capturing 4,000 of them last year that they later marched them through the main cities of the Reich to parade them as evidence of German military victory.

Strange stories are told of the Battle of the Somme, and for the past few days the "Telegraph" has been able to publish an authentic account of the exploits of the valiant band of men as told by those who came back.

The Gordons were forced to abandon their last stand against the enemy on the River Bresle. Neither German artillery nor air bombardment availed to drive them back. The real reason was beyond mortal control.

5. Last Stand on the Bresle

Now comes the tragic retirement to St Valery-en-Caux.

From this point onwards, the battalion, with the rest of the 51st Division fought with astounding heroism all the way across the Rivers Bresle and Bethune to the cliff at St Valery, where they made their final stand.

Surrounded, weary from incessant fighting, their ammunition gone, and without food, they were forced to surrender.

Some of them got away to tell of their adventures.

The general movements of the battalion on its way back to St Valery is known, but countless stories of individual heroism will not be revealed until the end of the war.

What has been told shows the tremendous courage, tenacity, and iron fortitude of all the officers and men.

It was not that they were driven back. It was the old story of the Germans breaking through elsewhere and developing their favourite pincers movement round the flanks. The Division continued to elude the pincers until the configuration of the French coast near the estuary of the Seine and the destruction of the bridges over that river isolated them with only one escape—the sea.

Official statements frequently spoke of the situation at this period—as just before Dunkirk—as being confused. That was perhaps true of the position generally. But the stories of this battalion of the Gordon Highlanders and those of other units which fought in Belgium and Northern France reveal that the units of the B.E.F. conducted their withdrawal in remarkably good order considering the circumstances.

Naturally, in the swiftly-moving drama, numbers of men became detached from their units, but the battalions, by the skill of their officers and the courage of the men, maintained such excellent order as to thwart the German manoeuvres.

Such was the case of this battalion right back to St Valery.

After Lt Brooke had sent the damaged carrier back for repairs on June 5, what remained of the Bren gun personnel was formed into a platoon. The single remaining carrier was used to issue fresh ammunition to the companies.

That night the battalion moved back to new positions about five miles to the southwest, the Bren gun carrier "tailing" the battalion on the march.

Throughout June 6 they fought another gallant action, holding up the German advance until night, despite the ferocious assaults the Nazis made on their positions. Just as darkness was coming down, about half-past-nine, the battalion set out on the march again.

Dive-bombers now made their first appearance. They swooped down out of the sky, attacking the convoys as they moved along the roads. Other planes flying at a low level machine-gunned the men on the ground incessantly. "B" Company was shelled continuously for a long time.

During the withdrawal all the way to St Valery it must be remembered the movements of the companies were greatly hampered by the refugees who swarmed along the roads.

On the night of June 6 the battalion crossed the Bresle at Gemaches. Once the Division gained the west side of the river the Royal Engineers blew up the bridges.

Here was an ideal place for a prolonged stand against the Germans. The Gordons held the rise on the west side of the river overlooking the countryside for miles. The Germans would have to come down the slope on the other side, cross the river and come up to their positions. As the river was not fordable, this operation was well-nigh impossible for the Germans.

positions by artillery and air bombardment.

For two days the Gordons held the river. The Germans made repeated attacks, but were driven back. The liveliest encounters occurred in the night. Successive fruitless attacks compelled the Nazis to halt and try to dislodge the battalion with heavy artillery and mortar fire.

This proved equally ineffective, but once again the flanks to the far north and the far south gave way. To the chagrin of the troops they had to leave these strong positions and retire in the darkness.

Though in early June, the nights were pitch black. Frequently the men had to hold on to each other's bayonet scabbards so as not to lose touch. Nevertheless, they reached a wood about twenty kilometres from Dieppe on the morning of June 9 in excellent order and with few casualties.

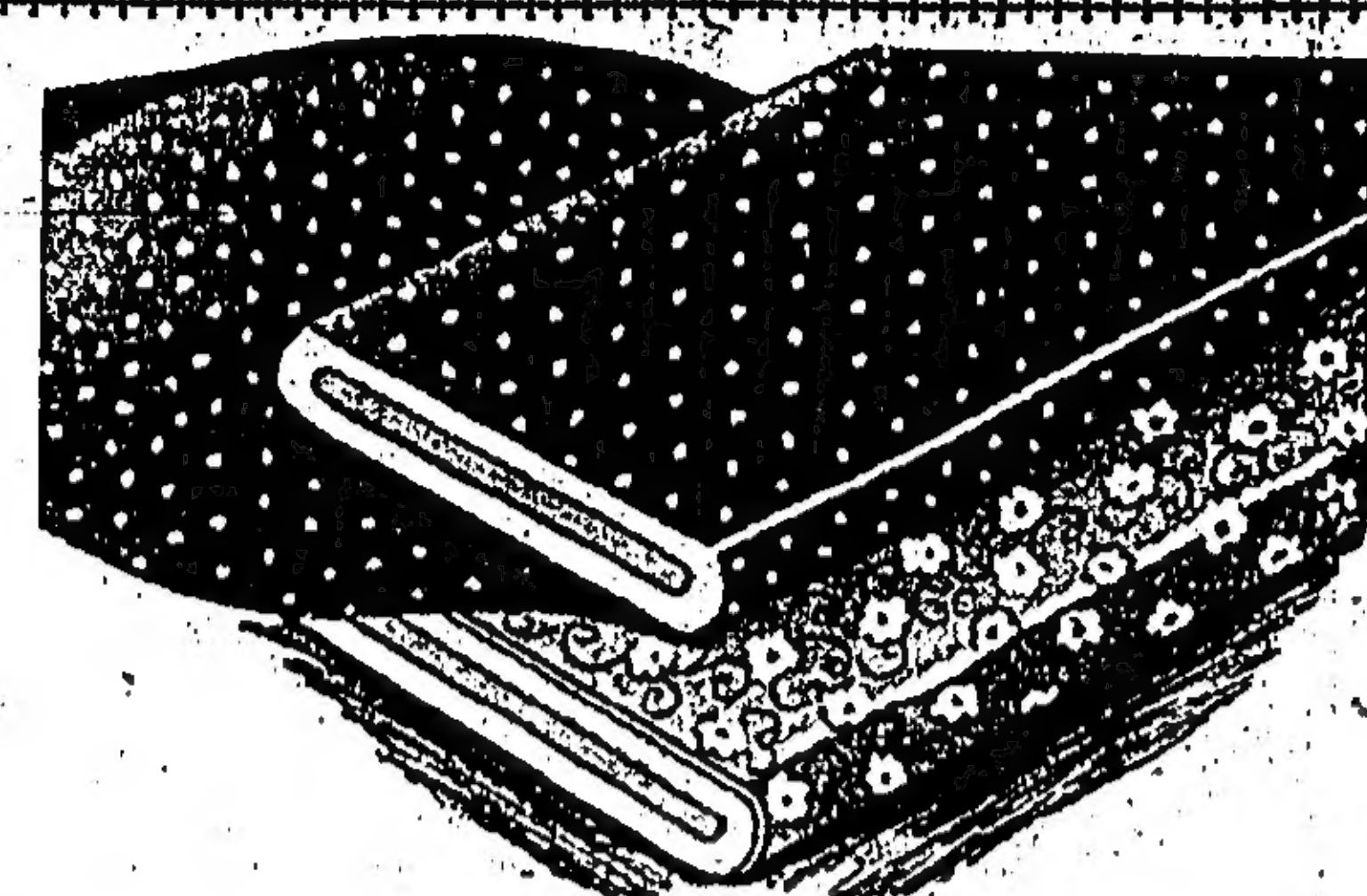
Everywhere around them were instances of unexampled heroism. A few days earlier a company of the Argylls had been cut off and given up as lost. With indomitable spirit they fought their way back through the German lines, passing through the Black Watch, who kept up a screening fire. The Argylls rejoined their comrades during the day the Gordons fought in front of the wood near Dieppe.

Hordes of German bombers passed overhead on their way to and from the port. One day they saw over fifty German planes carrying parachute troops, who were dropped far behind the lines. Five of the parachutists, however, were dropped too soon and came down among the Black Watch, who quickly disposed of them.

Night time brought another of those long marches. On the morning of June 10 they reached an orchard and farmhouse and stayed there all day. Both "C" and "D" Companies were in contact with the Germans. Then at night the battalion retired to the neighbourhood of St Valery.

For a week they had been marching and fighting with practically no sleep. Only by their unequalled fighting spirit were they able to keep going. The shelling had been merciless. German motorised units had harried them mile by mile. Overhead bombers had launched attack after attack. Every kilometre the roads had become more congested with refugees and struggling French troops.

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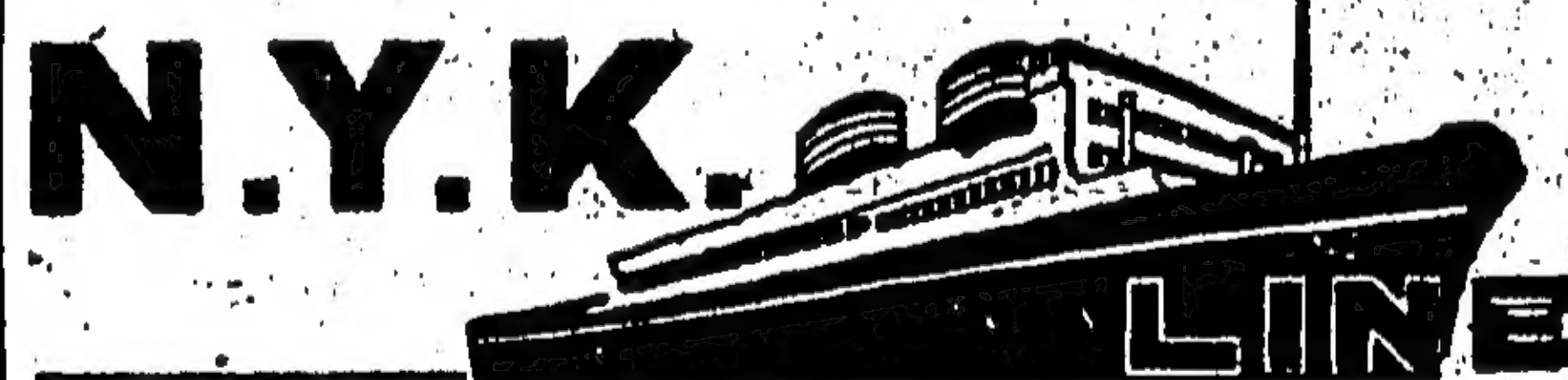
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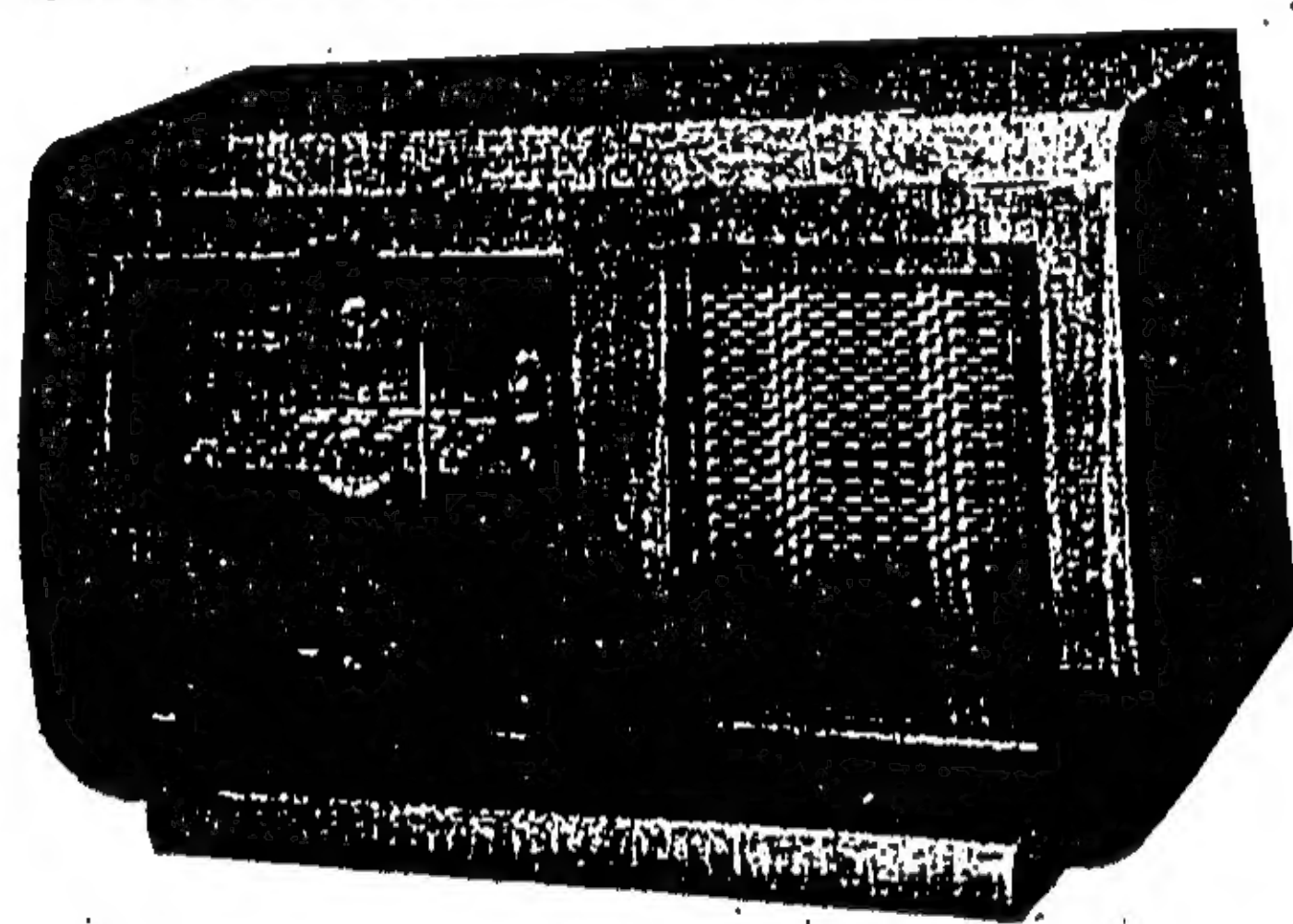


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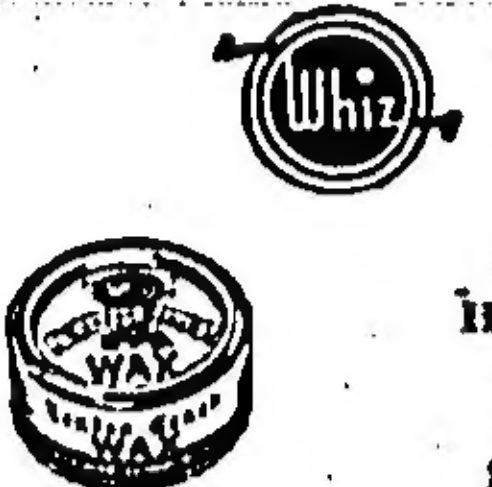
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PORTENTOUS YEAR

THIS year is without doubt the most portentous in the history of Christendom. To believe that one has only to read the well-weighed words of Colonel Stimson, Secretary of State for War, who speaks for the United States Government words that must warm the hearts and steel the sinews of the entire Western Hemisphere, Colonel Stimson is not a man of light utterances. That the United States Cabinet has endorsed such a speech is another great victory to be added to the Destroyer and Bases deal, and the Lend and Lease bill.

Britain and her Allies had hoped that the belated revolt of the Serbs, coupled with British reinforcement of the Greek forces would tie up the German strategy for a month or two, and thus seriously imperil Hitler's all-out drive to end the war this year. Although the gallant actions in the Balkans were costly to the enemy and did delay the programme slightly, no irresistible obstacles were in fact put in his path.

Perhaps Hitler's greatest sin is his greatest weapon. With an absolute disregard for honour he can strike anywhere, against any country, without warning. For us to do that would tarnish the ideal of liberty for all peoples for which we are fighting. Thus we have constantly to be on the defensive. The fact that we still honour treaties, forbids us to anticipate other than by defence, enemy action through Spain, Portugal, Tunisia, or Japan. It prevented us from intervening in Iraq until we were actually assailed. The British military machine has been turned up to a degree that gives us confidence but not complacency. We can keep the flag flying this year but we are not strong enough yet to launch an offensive on the continent.

It would appear that Hitler has two sides to consider right now. He must make a "total" attack on the British Isles, sacrificing perhaps 10,000 aeroplanes and a million men in order to cut in half the possible Anglo-American coalition before it is born. Alternatively, he can reconcile his people to a long war and trust to Teutonic organisation of the fields and factories of subjugated Europe to beat the blockade.

The possibilities on the fighting fronts are so diverse and so many that it is idle for all but military experts to dwell on them. Through all the uncertainty however, there shines one light that, like the beam of the searchlight, bursts fiercely at its origin and expands more and more to diffuse its rays over a wide area; that light is the spirit animating Britons everywhere never to rest until the German people have been thoroughly whipped.

QUISLINGS REBUFFED

Norwegian Resistance To Nazi Models—Sham Germanic Brotherhood From a Norwegian Correspondent

Conditions in Norway have deteriorated steadily since the last week of September, when Quisling's party and "Government" were installed and given full powers by the Germans. The Nazi methods aped by the Quislings, the brutalities of *Hirdmenn* (the Norwegian blackmail and blackshirt guard), and the inefficiency of her administration have created a growing opposition against the traitors themselves and their German masters. The personal visits to Oslo, first of the Nazi Minister of Propaganda, Goebbels, and later of the sinister head of the Gestapo, Himmler, can only have meant that the "protection" of Norway had not developed according to plan.

The Germans had undoubtedly planned that Norway, as the home of her purest Nordic race, should submissively play the part of a tame guinea-pig in the great German Imperial experiment. Norwegians were not impressed by this honour. More intimate contact confined to them that the Germans were anything but a depure race and that their culture as demonstrated in the occupation was far below the Norwegian standard.

Resistance

All reports from Norway agree that the resistance to the invaders is becoming more effective; they give many examples of the inventiveness of the Norwegians in their silent war, in which their strongest weapon is cold contempt and scornful mirth. Whereas the dark winter nights and the forbidding nature of the fjords and mountains chill the intruders, the stoniness of the people freezes them to their bones. It has had a devastating effect on their spirit.

Germans are sentimental under their uniforms. Numerous cases of *Barackenhysteri* (barrack insanity)—are reported. It evinces itself in melancholia punctuated by fits of rage. The Norwegians have developed the demonstration of their scorn to a fine art. The Germans attempted to imprison those who laughed at them, but had to desist. The fear of being laughed at

has spread among the German forces to such a degree that many are bashful of using the Nazi greeting in public.

Against Oppression

Open opposition has been expressed in many ways. A number of important national organisations have come out in open opposition to the Quislings. The biggest organisation of Norwegian farmers, Norges Bondelag, refused with an overwhelming majority to join Nasjonmissiv play the part of a tame guinea-pig in the great German Imperial experiment. The Board of the Norwegian Medical Association has published a unanimous protest against the dismissal of several doctors from their official positions because they refused to declare their sympathies with the Quisling and against an effort by the Quislings to form a Nazi "Medical Guild."

The organised workers in Oslo have circulated a strong protest against the dismissal of the old trade-union officials, emphasising the utter inefficiency of the new *Ersatz*. And from all over the country come reports that the workers are firmly active against the oppressors.

Judges And Bishops

A climax in this development was undoubtedly reached by the resignation of all the members of the Norwegian Supreme Court as a protest against Terboven's attempt to convert the law courts and the legal administration into a part of the Nazi terrorist machine. Their unanimous resignation was accompanied by a protest against the violation of the Norwegian constitution, which Terboven, the Reichskommissar, had promised to respect, and of international law, to which the Germans still pay a cynical lip service. After considerable search the Quislings succeeded in finding some new Judges, most of them rather obscure lawyers, and these have now completely submitted to the will of the Germans.

It was in this sequence of events that, as already reported in *The Times*, the seven Bishops of Norway wrote their letter to Skancke, the Quislingist Minister for Church and Education, expostulating against the outrages of the *Hirdmenn* and asking whether the promise given by Hitler and Terboven of full religious freedom and legal independence could still be trusted.

A request to members of the Oslo police that they should apply for membership of Quisling's party had the result that half the force sent in their resignations. An order that they should use the Nazi salute caused a strike. In consequence, German police can now be seen on duty in the streets of Oslo in increasing numbers.

Clashes between the population and the *Hirdmenn* are becoming more frequent in towns throughout Norway. People have been killed and wounded in demonstrations against German soldiers and against the *Hirdmenn*.

In Drammen a few days ago a swaggering young member of the *Hird* was lynched by the population. The *Hird* has been strongly reinforced. Some notorious lawbreakers and bandits have been included in the bodyguard. They are being constantly drilled to more aggressive and brutal methods.

Increased Lawlessness

Lawlessness is increasing. The Bishop of Oslo, Dr Berggrav, has stated that the extraordinary conditions prevailing were causing looseness in moral life. Appeals have been circulated urging the inhabitants to pay no attention to provocations and not to give the *Hird* the chance to cause any sensational incident. "When the signal is given for united action [the circular states] we shall fight with clean weapons; until then we shall remain calm and continue our passive resistance."

It is, however, clear that the greatest difficulty is to hold in check the impatience of the enraged population. The British successes in Africa have strengthened the will to resist and the hopes of a quick deliverance.

In spite of heavy fines being imposed upon the population, many acts of sabotage are taking place. In West Norway the German cables have been cut on several occasions. The city of Stavanger was recently condemned to pay a fine of 50,000

kroner. Trondheim had to pay 60,000 kroner, and the country of Vestopland 100,000 kroner.

Many arrests have followed the severing of telephone lines, especially in the western districts, where German defences have been seriously interfered with. It is sometimes found that the air-raid signal is out of order when the British bombers arrive. The famous Bergen-Oslo railway, with its 184 tunnels, is in constant difficulties; the journey, normally of about 11 hours, now takes from 24-40 hours, if it can be done at all.

Districts Isolated

Curfew was introduced in many places. In many districts Norwegians are allowed to travel from one place to another only with the special permission of the German authorities. Some districts are virtually cut off from their surroundings. This is especially the case round Bergen, which is considered the centre of the opposition.

The new political people's court will shortly begin its activities, chiefly in Oslo, but also in Stavanger, Bergen, Trondheim, and Tromsø, going on circuit to cope with the numerous cases now awaiting trial. Their number is said to be more than 2,000. It is also reported that other political captives have been transferred to Germany to serve their sentences there.

Political Prisons

Oslo has three political prisons, all run by the Germans with German guards. The chief prison, which normally has about 150 inmates, is now housing about 600. The present prisoners include Colonel Lund, from Bergen, Colonel Halvor Hansson, Major Lindbaek, Hr. Tonnessen, Chief of Police in Kristiansand; Major Fin Back; Hr. Bjorn Hansen, a shipowner and president of the Norwegian Shipowners' Federation; Hr. Klavness, manager of the Norwegian Shipowners' Federation; and Hr. Emil Stang, one of the resigned Judges of the Norwegian Supreme Court.

There are concentration camps at Ulven outside Bergen and in the Oster-Valley.

The editor of the important Liberal provincial paper *Stavanger Aftenblad*, Sven Oftedal, is in the Bergen concentration camp, and Trond, Hegna, who wrote an article, "The Norwegians are not for Sale," previously referred to in *The Times*, is in another camp. Hr. Paul Berg, arrested again a few days ago, was president of the Supreme Court from 1929 till he resigned with the other Judges. He is a former Minister of Justice.

Ill-Treatment

The prisoners are ill-treated. The most usual procedure is for one man to hold the prisoner while others punch his face. Prisoners have been compelled to stand barefoot in the snow while revolver shots were fired round their legs, in the hope of making them break down and denounce others. After their interrogation many prisoners have had to be taken to hospital with broken ribs and ear-drums. They are not allowed to read books, not even the Bible, nor may they receive visitors or letters.

The description of the treatment of these political prisoners given by those who have left prison is scarcely believable.

The Younger Generation

Sentence of death was recently passed on three young men of Bergen for having used a secret transmitter with which they were accused of having sent out information about the German Army. They were gifted young men who had excelled both in their work and in games. Their tragic fate may drive underground the activities against the Germans, but in doing so it will only intensify the feeling against the invader.

After all the German efforts to win over the Norwegian people, first by soft words and then by prisons and concentration camps, have failed, attempts are being made to conquer the younger and more impressionable generation with high-sounding phrases about the Germanic brotherhood which shall lift Norway out of its democratic depravity to power and "real" independence. They also will fail.

In spite of Terboven's planning and that Nazi stagecraft which was so effective in Germany, the response in Norway has been extremely poor.

IS YOUR BOY CLEVER?

EVERY parent, with the exception of those amazingly eccentric parents—they do exist—who are jealous of their own children, hopes his boy is clever.

Clever parents usually have clever children, and the offspring of dull parents are as a rule dull. Of course, exceptionally, the dull may have a clever father and a clever boy may have dull parents.

Nature's variety is infinite. There is one point, however, on which we may be sure. As the rain falls on the just and the unjust alike, so brains are not the prerogative of the rich or of the poor.

That money can provide for the training of given brains is obviously true, and so the impression is created that brains are more often found among the moneyed classes.

The dull child of poor parents remains a hewer of wood and a drawer of water while the dull child of wealthy parents may reach great heights. Westminster itself could, not infrequently, provide specimens to support the latter assertion. For future success youthful environment is more important than innate ability.

How are you going to recognise cleverness in your child? The usual school examinations

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are at least a rough and ready guide, but here much depends on the teachers your boy has had the good or bad fortune to get. A sympathetic and clever teacher can make a child's intellect blossom like the rose, whereas a lout of a teacher may ruin any child placed in his charge.

One is sometimes agnast at the delightful casualness in the choice of teachers. You can, however, tell without much bother if your boy is clever by the marks he gets, especially in certain subjects.

For example, if a boy has consistently high marks in mathematics he must have brains, for no amount of "swotting" will give success in this subject if a boy is not brainy. There have been, of course, brilliant exceptions to this. Some very able men boast of having "no head" for mathematics. Examination of these cases would occasionally, I am sure, point to poor teachers of mathematics.

Clever boys usually have high marks all over. That a boy may be very clever in one subject and dull in all others is most exceptional.

If you know that your boy is clever, watch carefully over his progress. Clever people are like blood horses, inclined to kick over the traces. Take care that your clever boy learns to apply himself. If he can do things easily he may become conceited and casual, and here danger lies. Get your boy to take pains, for only by doing so can he reach success.

On the other hand, beware that he does not hurt himself with too much study, that his intellect does not benefit at the expense of his body. Let him play games and read novels and go to the "pictures," all within reason, or you will make "Jack a dull boy."

The time will come when you will have to face the question of what you are to make of your clever son. If you have money, or if your boy can win scholarships—consult his schoolmaster about these—then give him the full course at one of the secondary schools.

This stage completed, the boy can enter a university (scholarships are again available) and take a course leading to divinity, law, medicine, science, with its branches in engineering, agriculture, forestry, veterinary science, dentistry, &c., or he may, on the other hand, enter such businesses as banking, insurance, or accountancy. Exceptionally, he may start a career in art or music. For a clever boy there is a wide choice.

Whatever you do, do not let your boy drift. "Oh, he doesn't know what he wants to be, so I'm just letting him, &c. &c."

When your boy reaches the age of 15 it is most advisable that he should know the road he is taking. Very clever in one subject and dull in all others is most exceptional.

CHURCHILL ANSWERS HIS CRITICS: TEXT OF SPEECH TO COMMONS

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condemnatory speeches because it would give a distorted impression to important interested foreign observers who are not well acquainted with our Parliamentary or political affairs. Therefore, I ask for a vote of confidence (Cheers).

Institutions Upheld
 "This is a free Parliament and a free country. We have succeeded in maintaining under unprecedented difficulties dangers which in some cases might be mortal, the whole process and reality of Parliamentary institutions (Cheers). I am proud of it. It is one of the things we are fighting for. I cannot believe that any man could bear the kind of burden which falls upon the Government to-day unless he were sustained by and strongly convinced of the support of the Commons and the nation."

"The only relief I feel is that everything in human power was done by us and that our honour as a nation is clear. Mr. Hore-Belisha and some others have spoken of the importance of full and accurate intelligence of the enemy's movements and intentions. That is one of the glimpses of the obvious in which his speech abounded."

Balkans Warnings
 "As far as the German invasion of the Balkans was concerned, we had for long an ample fore-warning of what was in prospect. Our diplomacy has never ceased for a moment to apprise the countries of the perils coming on them and to urge common action by which alone could security safely be attained."

"For weeks we watched the remorseless movements of vast German forces through Hungary, Rumania and Bulgaria towards Yugoslavia and Greece. At least 40 divisions, including five armoured divisions, were massed on the scene. Hitler has told us that it was for us to go to the aid of the Greeks. I don't want to enter into arguments with experts (Laughter) but this is a kind of crime of which he is a good judge (Laughter)."

Unregretted Act
 "Looking back upon the course of events, I can only feel, as the Prime Minister of New Zealand so nobly declared, that it was again to tread that path even with the knowledge that we possess to-day, I for one would do the same thing again (Cheers). But after all, military operations must be judged by the success which attends them rather

than the sentiments which inspire them, though these may play a part in the verdict of history and in the survival of races."

Maintaining Nazi Rule
 "The addition of the whole Balkan people to the number of ancient independent states which have fallen under the Nazi yoke and have to be held down by brute force or intrigue may by no means prove a source of strength to the German army. This vast machine is now spread from the Arctic to the Aegean and from the Atlantic to the Black Sea. That is no source of strength."

"Turning from the military to the political aspect, nothing can more surely debilitate the Germans from establishing and shaping a new Europe, and one will certainly emerge, than the fact that the German army and the German race have become and are becoming more universally and intensely hated among the peoples of all lands than any enemy or any race. History bears record (Cheers)."

High Purpose
 "Napoleon, I have said, was a great conqueror. He will be remembered, however, for the fierce liberating and equalitarian winds of the French Revolution which Hitler's Empire has nothing behind it but racial self-assertion, espionage, pillage, corruption and the Prussian boot."

Tank Strategy
 "There is one simple point about tanks which Mr. Hore-Belisha in his speech yesterday might have mentioned, for he was Head of the War Office in the years preceding the war. In the last war, tanks were built to go three or four miles an hour and stand up to rifle or machine-gun bullets. In the interval mechanical science has advanced so much that it is possible to make tanks go up to 25 miles an hour and stand up to cannon fire. It is a particular revolution by which Hitler has profited."

"It was well known in military and technical circles for years before the war that it did not spring from German but from British ideas and others like General de Gaulle. It has been exploited and turned to our grievous injury by the non-inventive but highly competent and imitative Germans. For the comfort of Mr. Hore-Belisha, let me tell him that we are making every month now as many heavy tanks as there existed in the British Army at the time that he left the War Office and that we shall, before the end of this year, be producing nearly double that. This takes no account of the immense production in the United States."

Reply To Lloyd George
 Replying to Mr. Lloyd George's criticisms about the composition of the Government, Mr. Churchill declared that the Government works easily and effectively at present, and "do not propose to make further change until further advised."

"Something has been said of the importance of my being surrounded by people who would stand up to me and say 'No! No! No!'. He has no idea how strong the negative principle is in the Constitution and working of the British war-making machine (Laughter)."

"The difficulty is not to have more brake put on the wheel but to get more impetus and force behind it. In the business of Libya and Greece no violence has been done to expert military opinion. All decisions have been untidily and purely voluntarily in good will under the pressure of events. I personally as head of the Government obviously assumed responsibility in the most direct personal form. It follows that I am one whose head may be cut off if we do not win the war—and I am very ready that this should be so—and that because members of the House would probably experience an even more unpleasant fate at the hands of the triumphant Huns (Laughter)."

Middle East
 "There is a tendency in some quarters, especially abroad, to talk about the Middle East as if we could afford to lose our position there and yet carry on the war to victory on oceans and in the air. Stated as an academic strategic fact that may be true, but do not let anyone underestimate the gravity of the issues being fought for in the Nile valley."

"The loss of the Nile valley and the Suez Canal, of our position in the Mediterranean and of Malta would be among the heaviest blows we could sustain. We are determined to fight for them with all the resources of the British Empire and we have every reason to believe that we shall be successful."

"General Wavell has under his orders at present nearly half a million men. A continuous flow of equipment has been in progress from this country during the last ten months, and now that Italian resistance in Abyssinia, Africa and the Somalilands is collapsing, a steady

concentration northwards of all these forces is possible."

Desert Warfare
 "Indeed, there has been for many weeks rapidly proceeding, and General Smuts has ordered the splendid South African Army (cheers) forward to the Mediterranean shore. But the warfare of the Western Desert or of any of the deserts which surround Egypt, can only be conducted by comparatively small numbers of highly equipped troops."

"Employment in the desert of large numbers may only lead to disaster. That is what happened to the Italians. 180,000 men lay along African soil and once the head of these forces was chopped off it was not physically possible for them to retreat."

At El Agheila
 "I have an account of what happened at el Agheila. The Generals were taken prisoner by taking undue risks in personal movements. Events are moving so fast, and people have so much to do that there is no time to dwell on the past, but certain broad features will surprise the House. The German armoured forces were not much larger than our own. Technical mistakes and mischances occurred. With very little fighting our armoured forces became disordered. The other troops we had in Benghazi only amounted to a division, which, by rapid retreat, gained Tobruk unmolested, and with reinforcements stands there at bay to-day."

Opportunist Drive
 "As we know the Germans had no expectations of proceeding beyond el Agheila. They meant to engage our armoured forces and create a diversion to prevent the despatch of reinforcements to Greece whilst bringing over large forces from Italy and Sicily."

"When they won their surprising success, they accepted it with orgies and feasting, and pushed on into the desert taking little thought of what they should eat or drink on the morrow. They pushed on until they came up against the very heavy prop at Tobruk and until they came to the large forces which guard the frontiers of Egypt and lie back securely based on road and sea communications."

"At present they have stopped. It would be foolish to carry the story further, but as long as the enemy has the superiority in armoured vehicles they will have the advantage in desert warfare, although at present the air forces are about equal."

Germans Face Problems
 "For the invasion of Egypt with the German main force, enormous preparations would be required. A pipe line might have to be made to carry an artificial river forward with their troops. We are lying back on our fertile desert, which, incidentally, is the worst ground for armoured vehicles."

"We have command of the sea, and the Germans are confronted with problems far more difficult than any they have solved in Africa. This is all the more true as we are defending as we are without thought of retirement, the highly offensive outposts of Crete and Tobruk."

"Crete has not yet been attacked. The strategic significance of Tobruk was obvious from the first, and anyone can see how irresistibly it has proved itself on the enemy. We intend to fight with all our strength for the Nile valley and the command of the Mediterranean. Our troops and our resources will give a good account of themselves."

General's Mistakes
 "Therefore, let there be no feather-headed or defeatist talk about cutting our losses in the Middle East. As I said in December, when our situation in Egypt was far more critical than now, it is a case of deeds not words."

"Our Generals on the spot believed that no superior German force could advance so quickly as they did, and if they did advance they would not be able to nourish themselves. That was a mistake, but anyone who supposes that there will not be mistakes in war is very unreal and foolish."

"It has yet to be seen how the forces that have advanced will fare in heavy fighting with all the hazards which still lie before them at no great distance."

"When your enemy has five or six times the regular army that you have, when he is more adequately equipped and is much stronger in the air and in tanks, and when he lies in the centre of the war scene and can strike out in one, two or three directions simultaneously out of choice of seven or eight, it is evident that your problem becomes rather difficult."

Nazis Want Air Bases In Syria
 SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
 ISTANBUL, May 7 (UP).—Diplomatic sources state that the Germans are bringing pressure on Vichy for air bases in Syria.

More Air Bases
 WASHINGTON, May 7 (UP).—The House Naval Affairs Committee to-day approved an authorisation bill for eleven major naval lighter-than-air aircraft bases and auxiliary facilities totalling \$57,750,000.

President Roosevelt's Condition Improves
 WASHINGTON, May 7 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt's condition has improved but his doctor has advised him to stay indoors for a few more

Lloyd George Speaks In Debate

LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—The resumption of the debate on a vote of confidence was opened by Mr. Lloyd George with a spirited speech. He said that with the first part of the resolution (expressing confidence in the Government) everyone agreed, but there were parts of the Government's war administration on which there was dissatisfaction and disappointment.

Mr. Lloyd George asked why Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, whilst taking the loyalty of Turkey withheld the fact that Turkey allowed German ships to pass through the Bosphorus into the Dardanelles to seize an island.

Appealing for more information, Mr. Lloyd George said: "We are not an infantile nation to withhold unpleasant facts from us. This nation has in the past to be frightened by anything that has happened even up to the present."

Mr. Lloyd George thanked God for Colonel Stimson's speech which showed that Americans realised the gravity of the position, but it was most important "not to exaggerate what you are going to get, or rather how quickly you are going to get it."

America's Task
 In the last war, America put her fleet in the Atlantic while Japan guaranteed the Pacific, but to-day Americans had got to keep in mind that they were now the sole guardians of the Pacific. If America was going to enable us to catch up and then overtake Germany, she had got to do infinitely more than any indication he had heard of up to the present.

He urged the Prime Minister to reconsider the whole distribution of manpower and have a real War Council of three or four men who should have nothing to do but study the problems and give the Prime Minister their mature advice.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued yesterday is:

Buyers
 Bank of East Asia \$70
 Indo-China (Prof) \$80
 Providents \$4.00
 Trams \$15.50
 Macao Electric \$17
Sellers
 Providents \$5
 Trams \$16
 Electric "Rts" \$13.25
 Lane Crawford \$7.25
Sales
 Hotels \$2.80
 Macao Electric \$17.25
 Ropes \$0.10

Rushing Plane Production

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
 WASHINGTON, May 7 (UP).—Defence circles here to-day indicated that automobile production may be halted to further the plane production programme.

Meanwhile, emergency facilities are being rushed to increase the production of magnesium and aluminium which are needed in the manufacture of bombers.

A future monthly production of aluminium of 125,000,000 pounds is planned compared to 25,000,000 pounds in January and 50,000,000 pounds in April.

Navy To Take Over Coast Guard

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
 WASHINGTON, May 7 (UP).—The Secretary of the Navy, Colonel Frank Knox to-day announced that all seagoing activities of the Coast Guard are being transferred to the Navy.

This involves the transfer of all the larger craft but not the smaller ones which will be manned by the Coast Guard under navy command.

SUPPORT THE BOMBER FUND

Total to date: \$1,878,628.46
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Japanese Raid Over Sian

SIAN, May 7 (Central News).—More than twenty persons were killed and over ten houses destroyed as a result of the Japanese air raid over Sian yesterday morning.

Twenty-eight Japanese planes, flying in groups of six each conducted raids over wide-spread areas in Sian. Among the towns visited and bombed were Sian, Sienyang, Tungchow, Tengchow and other cities.

YUNNANESE TO STUDY IN U.S.A.

KUNMING, May 7 (Central News).—In order to create a competent personnel for service in various fields of administration in the province, the Yunnan Provincial Government at its meeting yesterday decided to dispatch students to study in America on Government scholarships. The first batch of students numbering 40, will be sent within a short period.

BELGIAN COAL MINERS STRIKE

LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—A strike has broken out in the Belgian coal mines, according to information from Brussels reaching the Free Belgian news agency.

The miners, who have refused to join the only Union open to them, stopped work a week ago and are being fined two marks for each day they remain on strike.

STIMSON GAINS DUTCH PLAUDITS

LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—Even Mr. Churchill could hardly have done better, declares Batavia Radio, commenting on Colonel Stimson's speech.

In a manner worthy of a public prosecutor, Colonel Stimson flung his accusations straight into the teeth of the man who is to blame for all the misery he has caused to mankind. The speech was at once a warning and a declaration, said the announcer.

Arab Mayor Speaks Up For Britain

JERUSALEM, May 7 (Reuter).—The Mayor, Nabih Sulaiman Toukan, at a parade to-day said that he cherished glorious memories of their brethren who a quarter of a century ago under the leadership of King Hussein and his noble sons fought alongside British troops in defence of freedom "until victory was achieved."

"If their aim was noble and lofty, your aim to-day is even more so," he said.

Stranded Germans Rounded Up

NEW-YORK, May 7 (Reuter).—Over 100 German seamen, stranded since the outbreak of war, have been rounded up by the New York Police and charged with over-staying their leave in the United States.

It is expected that they will be interned. Similar roundups are believed to be proceeding in other American ports.

Hata's Inspection Of Front Lines

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
 NANKING, May 7 (Domel).—General Shunroku Hata, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese Expeditionary Forces to China, who has been inspecting the front near Kingmen, Yinghsan, Yingcheng, Nanchang and other places in the Wuhan area, returned here yesterday.

LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—Lord Beaverbrook was received at Buckingham Palace by the King to-day on his appointment as a Minister of State.



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Solomon Had A Note For It

NEW YORK, May 4 (UP).—John Schubert, musician and violin maker, was hailed before Magistrate Charles Solomon on a disorderly conduct charge.

"How did he conduct himself," Solomon asked the policeman who had picked Schubert up in a bar.

"He was working up to a crescendo," the policeman replied, "but was slightly off key."

"Dissonance," the magistrate said, "seems to have been the keynote." Solomon looked sternly at the musician.

"Take my advice," he said, "and stick to the bars of music. Keep away from liquor bars and avoid the bars of justice."

The magistrate thought a moment and said he wanted to "bring this case to a harmonious finale."

"Sing Sing!" A court attache suggested.

"No," Solomon said. "Let's end it on a high note with a suspended sentence."

Schubert smiled, con allegrezza, and left the courtroom prestissimo.

Children Of Internees

Nationality Poser
 The question of the nationality of children born in Britain while their alien fathers are interned is raised by the "Law Times."

"Are these children British subjects by birth?" the paper asks, "or does the fact that their father or mother, or both, at the time of their birth were interned as enemy aliens make them aliens too, notwithstanding their birth on British soil?"

"The status of internees with respect to their civil rights has repeatedly been decided during the last war and might be called settled law. The question raised here, however, still awaits an authoritative decision."

Leading text writers are quoted and, according to one rule, it appears that any person born in the British Dominion while his or her father is imprisoned or interned is an alien.

Eight Million Had Rise

Nearly 8,000,000 work-people in British received increases in their wage rates during 1940, equal to more than £104,000,000 a year.

This estimate, given in the "Ministry of Labour Gazette," covers only changes reported to the Ministry. It does not cover farm workers, shop assistants and Government employees, who also gained substantial improvements.

The new national minimum of 48s. for agricultural workers resulted in increases of 9s. to 17s. a week for men.

That represents a gain of some £17,000,000 a year for 500,000 work-people.

James Mollison To Ferry Bombers

Ace airman James Mollison has gone to America to ferry bombers across the Atlantic, says a London report.

After flying in Australia as a commercial pilot for the company controlled by the late Sir Charles Kingsford Smith, Mollison established several long-distance air records.

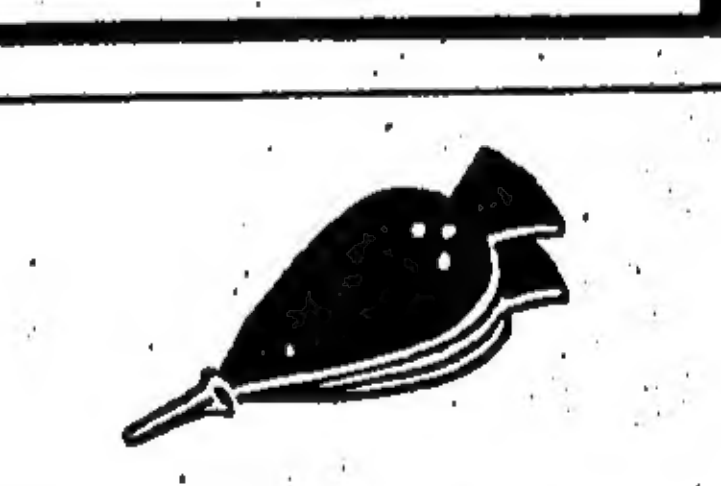
The late Amy Johnson, divorced Mollison in 1938.

Amy Johnson, leading airwoman, was drawn-on January 7 when a plane she was ferrying crashed into the Thames Estuary.



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In the opinion of the Federation of British Industries, the present 100 per cent. Excess Profits Tax makes it impossible for industry to build up during wartime reserves of capital which will be needed when the war ends.

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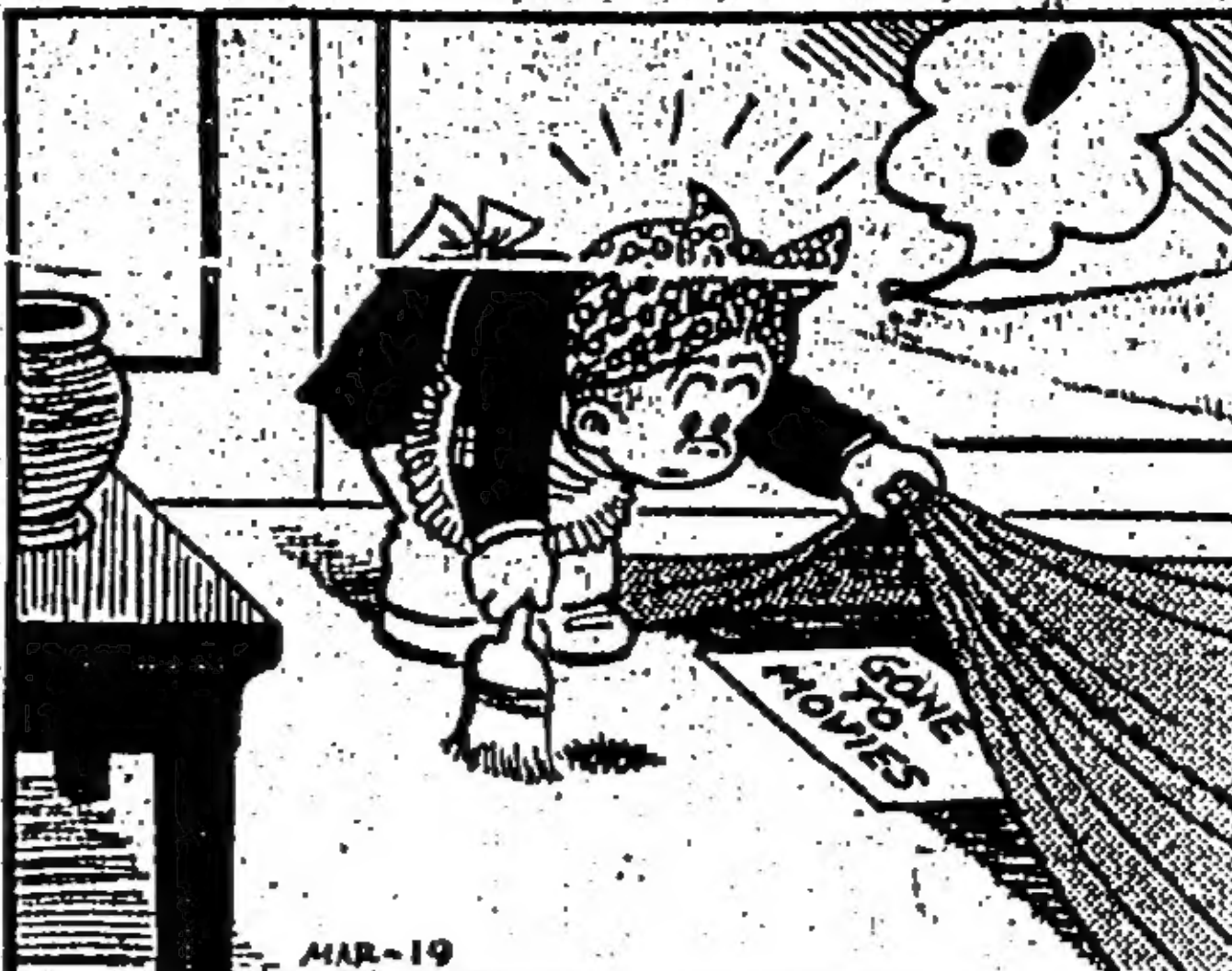
TO-MORROW AT THE KING'S

Dour Struggle Between Tsui Brothers On Stand Court

It was a great struggle in its baseline duels. Tani Yun-pui showed the greater inclination to advance to the net, but he was definitely the weaker in that position. He lost several points when almost on top of the net, whereas Wai-pui scored with well controlled volleys when similarly placed.

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NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

Britons Live Healthily Though Sleep Shortened

LONDON, May 7 (UP).—Indication that pre-war Britons slept more than they really needed to was revealed in a survey here which shows that civilians and soldiers alike are living healthily on at least an hour's less slumber than they had in peace-time.

One survey reported that 46 per cent. of the women interviewed and 41 per cent. of the men were sleeping less because of the bombing raids and night alarms. They reported no ill effects.

A very small number of people undoubtedly do suffer from lack of sleep but they are in the minority, one doctor explained. "In general, there is no evidence that the loss of one hour a night for over a period of four months has any detrimental effect at all. The duration of sleep is largely a habit."

The same physician said that persons not spending their time in bed usually are feeling more fresh, air and exercise—but in any case loss of sleep in small quantities is not detrimental.

The doctor emphasised that children should get plenty of sleep. "They need eight to ten hours—but an adult can do nicely with five or six hours a night."

Much Ado Over New Hair-do

Eyes bulged and chins dropped among the scrub-bucket crew in a Chicago office building when Sophia Sophyph reported for her char duties one night recently.

Her once plain, straight, black hair was bobbed, curled and bunched high on her head. Her hands were tipped with a modish manicure. Her face was soft and freshened.

Chiderella was back at the hearth after a day at the ball.

A mother of four sons and a daughter, Sophia was given "the works" of the Beauty Parlour Trade as a feature of the 18th annual mid-west trade show.

When the last hair was brushed in a crowded auditorium, Sophia stared into a mirror. Her sharp features broke into a happy smile and the crowd applauded the transformation.

"Now I look like I did 30 years ago," she exclaimed.

This M.P. Wants A Tax On Meals

Mr Arthur Woodburn, Labour M.P. for Clackmannan, wants to discourage extravagant eating in restaurants, hotels and clubs.

In Parliament a few weeks ago he asked the Chancellor of the Exchequer whether he would consider putting a tax of 6d. on meals costing over 4s. and 1s. on meals costing more than 6s.

Sir Kingsley Wood "noted" the suggestion.

AMERICANS WON'T BUY GERMAN ART TREASURES

The greatest interest has been aroused in American art circles by the disclosure that the Nazis are sending some of the most valuable paintings in the Kaiser Friedrich Museum to the United States for sale.

"It is almost incredible that the German Government should have decided to part with any pictures in this collection," declared Mr Hiram Parke, president of a leading New York firm of auctioneers, who pointed out that the Berlin museum was regarded as a national shrine.

Although the German Embassy in Washington has lost no time in issuing a denial, the truth of the report from London is not doubted.

The New York "Herald-Tribune" even states that attempts have already been made to market pictures, but that collectors refused to have anything to do with a sale which would place more dollars at the disposal of the Nazis.

The question of how the Nazis will get the pictures into the United States is widely discussed, and one suggestion advanced is that they might try to ship them across the Atlantic in a submarine.

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Australian Army Recommendation Off-Duty Saluting May Be Abolished

The order requiring Army officers to be saluted when off-duty will probably be abolished in Australia. If the Australian Military Board adopts a recommendation made by Army officers, says a Melbourne report.

Officers consider that the strict observance of Army orders which require them to salute their officers wherever they meet them, is unnecessary on leave, especially in crowded streets, when officers are obliged to answer the salute of every private and brother-officer.

EXPECTED WELSH REVOLT

—Hiter's Error

Light on Nazi expectations of internal trouble in Britain in the event of war is thrown by the revelation of an incident which occurred at a Mayfair party some time after the Munich crisis.

Lady Rhys Williams said recently that Frau von Dirksen, wife of the then German Ambassador in London, figured in the episode.

Lady Rhys Williams, who is the wife of Lt.-Col. Sir Rhys Williams, of Pontypridd, Glamorgan, and the daughter of Mrs. Elinor Glyn, the novelist, is certain that Hiter expected a Welsh revolt if Britain went to war against him.

Describing the incident she said: "Frau von Dirksen tried to bully me into an admission that Wales was seething with disaffection and appeared to be canvassing me as a possible Fifth Columnist."

Most Undiplomatic
"She began to talk loudly in the approved Nazi fashion of the wenders of 'the Fatherland.' It was the most undiplomatic performance I have ever experienced."

"That incredible woman got me into a corner and began to question me. She knew I had been the Liberal candidate at Pontypridd and had had something to say about Welsh conditions. She tried to get me to say that the Welsh were anti-British."

"I assured her that they were nothing of the sort; that, while the Welsh had their grievances, there was no more loyal people and no finer record in the last war than that of the Glamorgan coalfields."

Refugees From Norway

Cross Atlantic in Ketch
Six men and two women who fled from Norway last June after the German invasion, arrived in New York recently aboard a 63-foot ketch, Raake II.

The ship left Tromsø, Norway, with 23 Norwegians aboard, but 18 left the ship at Farøe Islands and St John's, Newfoundland, to join British forces. The remainder of the group spent eight months fishing off the Grand Banks.

Capt. Ottar Novik said the trip was uneventful with the exception of an attack by a German plane when the ship was one day out of Tromsø. "The plane fired a few machine gun rounds, which did not damage."

Nazis Sell Old Masters To Pay Wages of Spies

ART treasures worth £2,000,000 are being smuggled from Germany to the United States. They are to be sold there to bolster up Germany's foreign exchange and pay for espionage and propaganda in America.

The Ministry of Economic Warfare, by announcing this a few weeks ago, spoiled the Nazi plan for getting rid of the pictures without publicity.

An official of the Ministry said that the paintings, which include three Rembrandts, were probably being taken via Siberia and the Pacific.

To Freeze Credits?

They would be very difficult to intercept. "An American opinion expressed in London was: 'There is nothing to prevent the Germans using the

RESCUED MEETS HIS RESCUER After Lapse Of 40 Years

During a skirmish between the British and Boers at Bloemfontein, in the South African War, just over 40 years ago, a London Fusilier was badly wounded.

Under heavy fire a man of the 7th Lancers carried the wounded Fusilier to safety and, for his bravery, was promoted to the rank of corporal on the field.

Rescued and rescuer did not meet again until a few weeks ago, when Sergeant John Graham, now of the Home Guard, was having a drink at an inn in his native Egremont, in Cumberland. There he was recognised as the ex-Lancer by the ex-Fusilier, now Pioneer Cook, a native of London, aged 63.

Their Third War

Both men fought again during the last war, and they are now giving their country useful service in a third war.

In front of an embarrassed Sergeant Graham, Pioneer Cook told the men in the inn that Sergeant Graham's deed in Africa deserved the V.C. "For the last 40 years I have hoped to meet John Graham," he added.

SECRET OLD BAILEY TRIAL

During the whole of a three-days' trial at the Old Bailey recently strict secrecy was observed.

An aged man and a youth were in the dock, and owing to the nature of the evidence it was all heard in camera. The indictment was read only after representatives of the Press and members of the public had been excluded from the court.

Police stood guard over locked doors for the three days, and relatives of one of the accused were not allowed in court.

The men were sentenced in secrecy, the usual procedure of opening the court to hear the judge pass sentence not being adopted.

It was Mr Justice Wrottesley who had ruled that the court should remain in camera.

Bridegroom Put On Spot By I.R.A.

Owen Callaghan, 20, of Belfast, had been married only three months. He and his young wife lived happily in their new home. There seemed no cloud on their horizon.

Then came an event which at first bewildered the young bride, and then drove her into a frenzy of despair. Her husband, was kidnapped by the I.R.A.

Mrs Callaghan, refusing to believe at first that her husband's disappearance was linked with gang warfare, told the police he was missing.

Frankly she searched the city streets, dark in the black-out, for some clue.

Then they found young Callaghan—shot through the heart. He died within a few minutes of being carried into a nearby house. His enemies had put him "on the spot."

Gently, the news was broken to the young widow.

A police patrol, which was searching for Callaghan, was actually within a few hundred yards of where he was killed by three bullets.

The murderer escaped in the black-out.

NEW SOVIET CHIEF OF STAFF

Russia's Chief of Staff, M. Meretskov has been relieved of his post and replaced by General Zhukov, formerly Commander-in-Chief of the Kiev district.



HELLO, SANDY—Sandy, mascot of the Royal Scots Fusiliers, gets a pat on the head from Mr Winston Churchill, as the Prime Minister visits the battalion somewhere in England. Mr Churchill commanded this battalion in the last World War.

Half of Britain Does Not Use Shelters

WHAT kind of shelter do you use during night raids? A Gallup survey on this question has just been taken by the British Institute of Public Opinion covering the country as a whole.

Here are the answers (in percentages):

Anderson shelter	20
Brick surface shelter	11
Underground station or basement of large building	5
Strengthened room or basement of house	19
No special protection	45

Answers showed that the lower income groups depend more on the Anderson and brick surface shelter type than the higher income group, which relies more on a strengthened room or basement in a house.

Two Per Cent. Fatalistic

People were asked to comment on their mode of sheltering. Here the percentages were:

Satisfied	35
Dissatisfied	40
Don't bother or have not had to use a shelter yet	9
Fatalistic	2
Would make no comment	14

Of those who would give the reason for their dissatisfaction:

14 per cent. were dissatisfied because there were no shelters available.

14 per cent. wanted better shelter than they had.

14 per cent. complained that their shelters were wet, cold or insanitary.

Cold Or Wet

Chief comments from the various types of shelter and from those who had no special shelter were:

Anderson shelter: 23 per cent. said their shelters were cold or wet.
12 per cent. wanted stronger shelters.
Brick surface shelter: 10 per cent. wanted stronger shelters.
20 per cent. said their shelters were cold or wet.
64 per cent. were dissatisfied in some way or other with their shelter.
Strengthened room or basement: 9 per cent. complained that nothing better was available.
15 per cent. wanted stronger shelters.
No special shelter: 26 per cent. complained that nothing better was available.
67 per cent. were dissatisfied.

Pretty Claretta Is Mussolini's Latest

A book just published by Dr C. M. Franzero, former London correspondent of the "Giornale d'Italia" of Milan, and entitled "Inside Italy," introduces readers to Mussolini's latest favourite, Claretta Petacci.

She is 26, the daughter of a Vatican doctor and the deserted wife of an aviator who was with Marshal Balbo on the great bomber flight across the Atlantic.

Franzero says that Mussolini met her and her sister romantically. When motoring near Ostia, he passed two pretty girls in bathing suits, who, not knowing the great man, waved for a lift to a beach.

The Duce obliged, bathed and joked with them and made a date with Claretta.

Later, at the Treasury's expense, he built her a pretty house at Monte Mario, which has a private telephone.

to Mussolini's famous desk in the Palazzo Venezia.

Enters The Wife
Claretta, lives there quietly, although she has had scenes with Mussolini's wife (Rachele) and his sister-in-law, Eda (Countess Ciano).

The Duce is much attached to Claretta and is said to fume and fret if she does not telephone him at the appointed hour.

She not only seeks the affection of the Duce (says the author), but her father has profited from the situation by articles on popular science which the editor of "Il Messaggero" has been ordered to publish, and pay accordingly for until Roman doctors are rocking with laughter.

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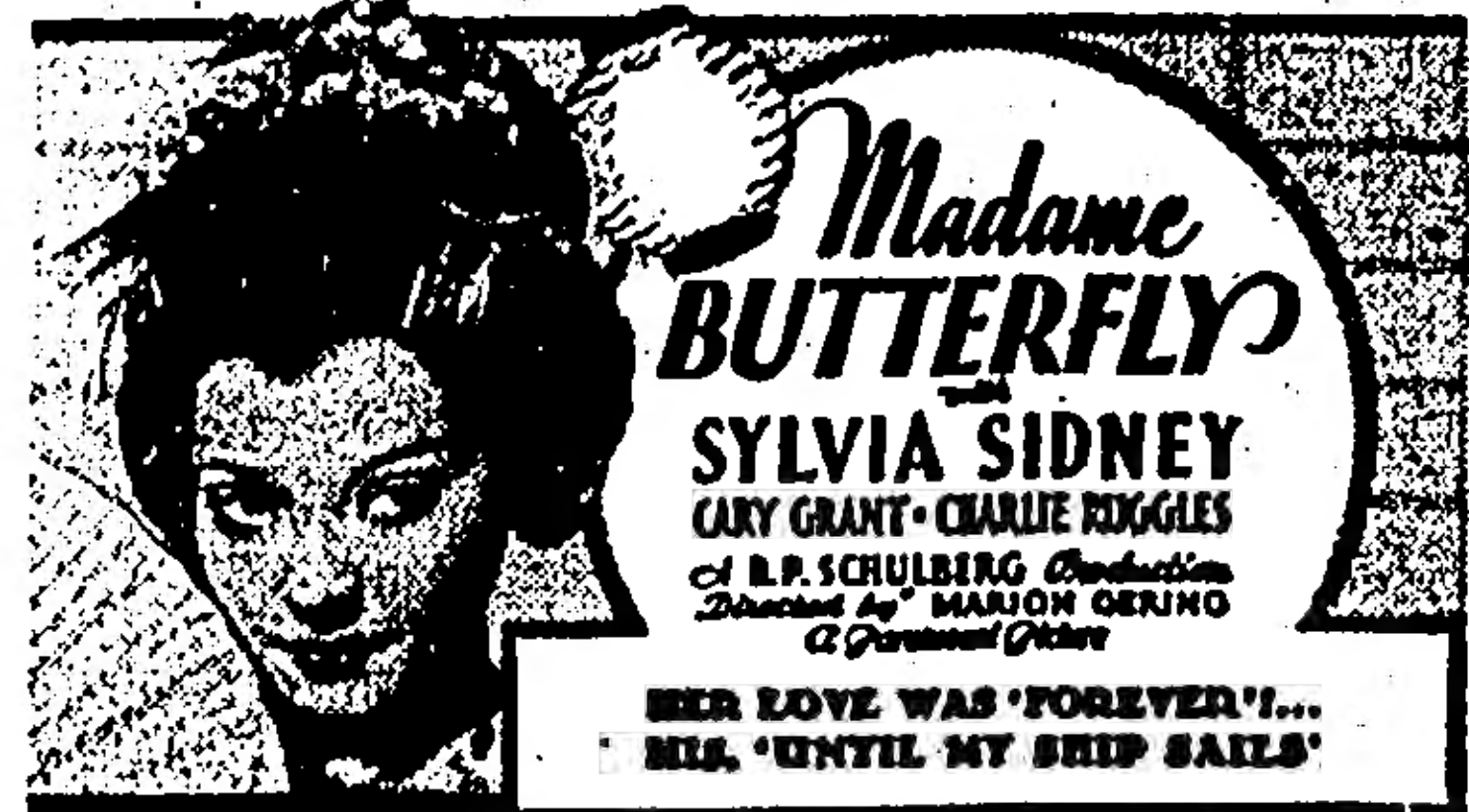
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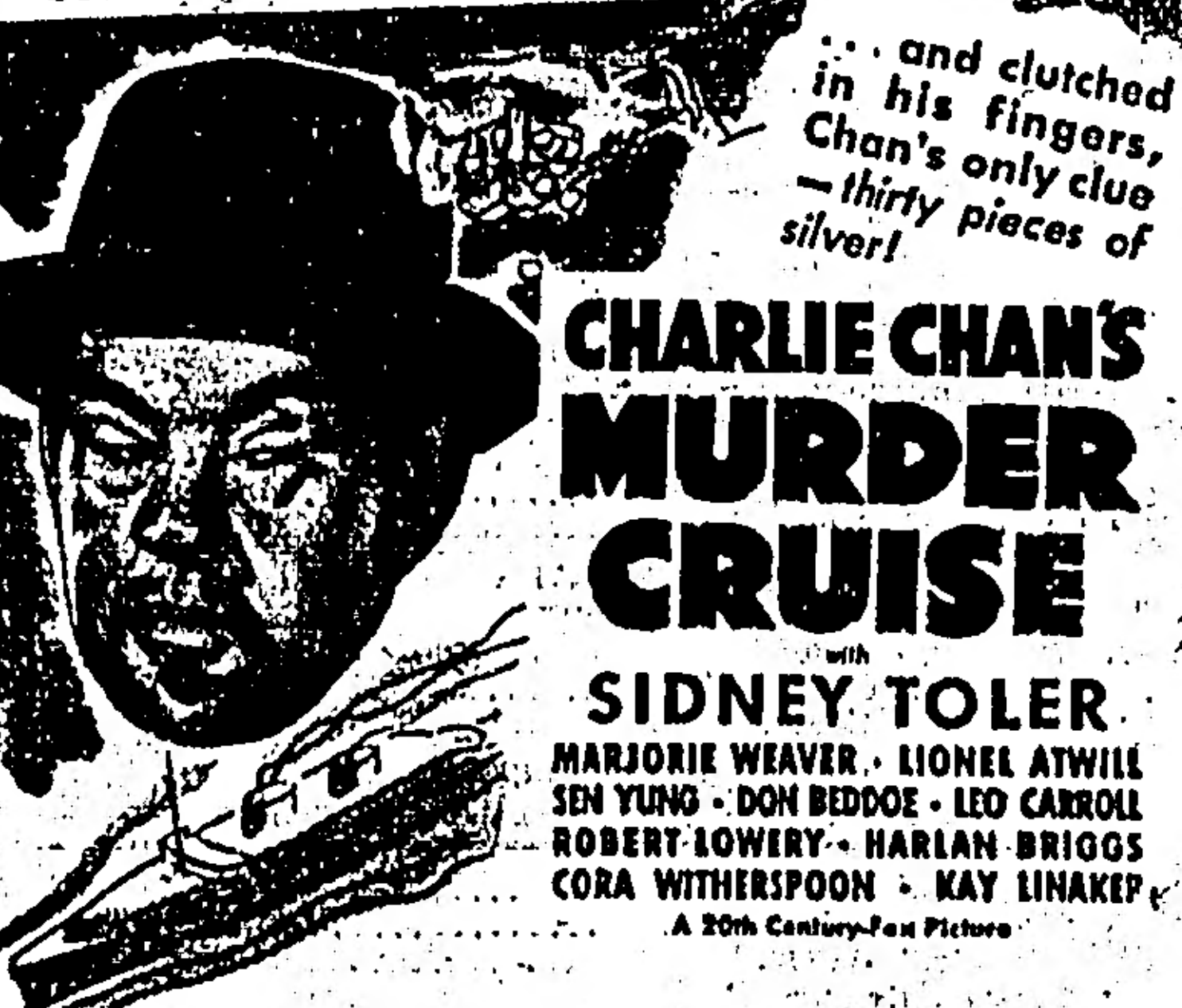
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BOMBER'S FOOT—Comparison with the mechanic shows the immensity of the wheel and tire of the huge new B-19 super-bomber nearly complete at the Douglas plant, Santa Monica, Cal. Delivery will be made to the U. S. Army Air Corps soon. The wheel is 96 inches.

SITWELLS GIVEN LIBEL DAMAGES

Miss Edith Sitwell, authoress, and her brothers, Osbert and Sacheverell, have each been awarded £350 damages in the libel action they brought in the King's Bench Division against the Co-operative Press Ltd, printers and publishers, and Mr Sydney R. Elliott, editor, of "Reynolds News."

They complained that a review of "Edith Sitwell's Anthology" in "Reynolds News" imputed that they had no literary ability and that their arrogance and conceit constituted their sole claim to prominence.

Mr Justice Cassels said that during 30 years more than 90 volumes had come from the pens of the Sitwells. Of Mr Hamilton Fyfe, who, it was stated, wrote the article complained of, the judge said:

"It was stated in a letter that he had 50 years' experience. He will not be able to add to that any recollection of going into the witness-box in this action, because the defendants designedly kept him out."

Prolific In Their Work

The evidence showed, his lordship continued, that the Sitwells had been almost prolific in their literary efforts up to and including 1940. The words complained of were defamatory of all three plaintiffs.

The defendants invited their readers to believe that the realm of oblivion had thrown open her doors and dragged all three plaintiffs in; that death in the world of letters had overtaken them and that they would be remembered with no ordinary smile.

Miss Sitwell was called a snob; her poems were ridiculed and criticised as rubbish, and the defendants said that the action was a waste of time in these days.

Dishonest Attacks

"The doors of the Law Courts were open," added his lordship, "and I see no reason why they should be closed to people who want to defend their professional reputation. Honest criticism of literary works is a constructive part of our reading life, and when authors are subjected to dishonest attacks, they are entitled to redress if they seek it in a court of law."



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Carol Lives Simply In Lisbon

Dr Henrique Vianna, spokesman for the Portuguese Foreign Office, said the Government has given former King Carol of Rumania and his companion, Magda Lupescu, permission to live in Portugal for some time.

Intimates of the abdicated monarch said Carol and Madame Lupescu, who fled from Spain on March 3, intended to live like "mere bourgeois on vacation in Portugal."

Earlier reports had said Carol and Madame Lupescu intended to go to the United States. In Washington doubt whether King Carol would be permitted to enter the United States was expressed.

They are living on the first floor of a small chateau in a somewhat modest residential district of Lisbon as guests of the wealthy Portuguese businessman, Augusto Lopes Joly. The house previously was occupied by the Prince of Bourbon Parma.

Vichy-Nazi Accord Closer

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German steamers operating under the German flag in coastal traffic in French Territorial waters, chiefly between Marseilles and Barcelona.

It is still more marked in occupied France than elsewhere. Reliable testimony from two different towns in northern France confirms American press reports that the population greet jubilantly the visits of the R.A.F. planes, despite the suffering caused by the bombardments.

The Agreement

VICHY, May 7 (Reuters).—An agreement has been reached between Admiral Darlan and the German authorities in Paris, it is announced here tonight.

It provides that the demarcation line between Occupied and Unoccupied France will be open in general for passage of goods and securities. Persons will be allowed to travel between the two zones in the event of serious illness or death of a relative.

Free correspondence by plain postcards will be allowed.

Permission to cross the line will be granted to members of the Army and Air Force on the same conditions as already in force for sailors.

Pétain's Journey

LONDON, May 7 (Reuters).—Marshal Pétain has left his estate near Cannes by special train to meet Admiral Darlan, according to the Paris radio.

Churchill & Hore-Belisha Clash

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States and expect that we shall get it."

Mr Lloyd George warned that Japan would seize the first opportunity to wrest control of the Pacific from the United States. Citing Mr Eden's statement that Turkey was loyal to Britain, Mr Lloyd George charged that the Turks let German troops pass through the Bosphorus and the Dardanelles to seize the Aegean Islands.

U.S. Navy Ready For Action, Says Knox

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at least maintain control of the Rhine and Danube systems in order to utilize her vital space in central and southeastern Europe.

"But the Anglo Saxons are unwilling to even allow Germany even this sphere of interest."

"To-day, the question must be solved by force and these canals which might have been triumph roads of western civilization will become roads of war and death."

Rome's Threat

ROME, May 7 (UP).—Radio Rome tonight announced that United States ships entering the Axis blockade zones will be sunk, adding: "we solemnly await Roosevelt's war for which the Axis and Japan are prepared."

Libya Soldiers' Wives In Natal

Thousands of wives and children of officers and men of the British Army and the R.A.F. who have been fighting in Libya, Eritrea and Abyssinia have been distributed throughout Natal, where they will live for the duration of the war.

An overseas service office has been established at Durban, which has made arrangements to place the evacuees at resorts along the Natal coast, all expenses being met by the British Government.

The children have settled down well and are perfectly happy in their new surroundings.

Britain Calls Up More Men

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, May 7 (UP).—It is officially announced that men of 39 and 40 years of age will register for military service on May 17 and 31 respectively.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, May 7 (UP).—The Free China Ambassador, Dr Chen Chieh returned to Berlin from Chungking to-day. Authorized quarters stated that the relations between Germany and China are normal.

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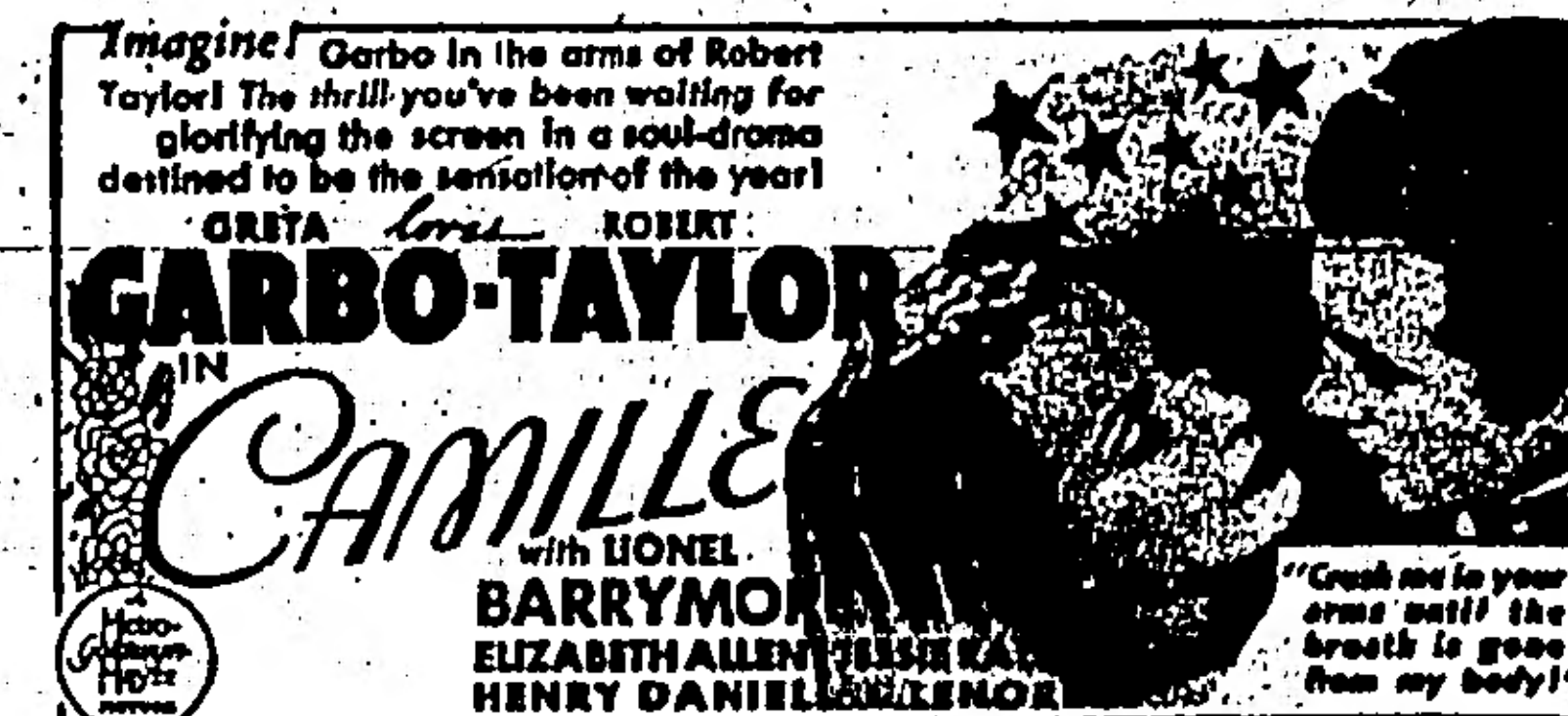
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Ginger Rogers Told To Go Home

Ginger Rogers, 29, film star, who has obtained her final divorce decree from Lew Ayres, 32, on the ground of desertion, claimed that Ayres told her: "Get out and go home to mother."

Lew Ayres and Ginger Rogers were married in 1934, but separated in 1936.

Ayres did not contest the suit.

Photographers Get New Photoflash

General Electric Company announces a new photoflash lamp which reaches its peak of intensity in 1-200th of a second—four times faster than a midjet bulb now in use. The new "speed midjet" runs its entire life in 1-10th second. It produces less light than the old midjet, but the company said its flash had been found ample when used with fast films now available.

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Appointments Promotions

A.R.P. Orders by Wing-Commander
A.H. Heale-Parkins, O.B.E., Director of
Air Raid Precautions.

It is regretted that for the time being
no more female Warden can be enlisted
in the Corps except by direct Centre
Telephone. This does not apply to
ladies at present undergoing a course of
instruction.

Discipline
Members of the Corps are reminded
that they are not permitted to be a
member of any other Service, unless they
have first obtained permission from A.R.P.
Headquarters through their Divisional
Wardens. Disciplinary action will be
taken against any infringement of this
order.

Strength Decrease
The following Warden have been per-
mitted to resign:
Quarry Bay—G.W. 1202 T. F. Clark.
Central—S.W. 316 Hong Kong Wing-
1007 Miss May-May, 2241 Miss Law
Sui-ying.
Shamshuipo—1001 L. Fook-wing
Western—1001 Ching Yuen-kong
Upper Levels—531 (T) Mrs L. Manning.
Western—1122 Leung Tui-hung.
Eastern—1201 Cheung Mo-on-kin, 834
Leung Lai-ning, 2010 Choi Tak-hing.
The following Warden have been struck
off the strength:
Yau-mai—2334 Chan Chiu-ze, 3332 Ho
Ka-yuen.

Change of Address
Mongkok—Dep. S/W 630 Kam Tai-man,
(U.L.) to 60 Tak Sh. Tai-pok-tai, 3137
Leung Chiu-ling (K.C.Y.) to 97 Tung
Choi St. 2nd fl.
Eastern—2344 Lai Wing-hing (H.L.) to
427 Hennessy Road.

Appointments
Correction of A.R.P. Orders No. 17
(20-4-41)—Mr. S. H. Harrell to be Senior
Gas Officer not Senior Gas Adviser.
The following appointment is notified
with effect from May 7, 1941:
A.R.P. Headquarters—3312 C. B. Brown to
be District Warden.
Chung Hing-ying to be Gas Officer
with rank of District Warden.

Promotions
The following promotions are notified
with effect from May 7, 1941:
Western—Senior Warden—Dep. S/W
1003 Chan Chiu-hui, Deputy Senior
Warden—1146 Ching Fung-kong, 1147 Kam
Hau-ki, 3243 Tong Man-yuen.
Kowloon City—Senior Warden—2041 Ho
Hung-chiu.
Mongkok—To be Group Warden—S/W
1701 A. W. de Souza, Senior Warden—1007
(T) C. M. Correa, 2052 Lo Yim, 2209 Fan
Kwong-pui, Deputy Senior Warden—
3113 (T) F. A. Remedios, 1002 Leung
Yiu-wing, 1721 Tam Yung-choi, 2705
Deputy Group Warden—S/W 1710 Chan
Chiu-wing.
Shamshuipo—Senior Warden—1006 Mrs
J. James, W & T 1050 Lai Lun-hung,
2449 (T) Wong Yuen-hun, 2006 Miss Chun-
lin, Group Warden—S/W 1075 W. T.
Wong, Deputy Senior Warden—W. T.
2705 (T) Chan Siu-lun, 2012 Chun Wan-
lan, 2409 Chan Chiu-hui, 2430 Wong
Kwok-ki, 2006 Yuen Chiu-ling, 2705
Tin-chow, 3127 Wong Fook-man, 3749
Wong Bun.

Leave of Absence
Mongkok—1752 (T) Miss J. Matthews
leave granted until July 21, 1941, 3553
Miss Liu Fung-kuen leave granted until
July 15, 1941, 2408 Miss Yuen-ling leave
granted until August 1, 1941.
Central—302 Miss L. Wai-lun 4 months
leave from April 20, 1941, S/W 233
Leung Kwok-yuen, leave extended to
June 10, 1941.
Shamshuipo—S/W 1010 Kwok Yung-lun
one month from May 13, 1941, 1910
Yu Tui-fong, one month from May 7,
1941.

Instructional Courses
Examination—The examination of Mr
H. Williams Class (E. 41) will be held in
the A.R.P. School, Upper Valley, at 9.30
p.m. on Thursday, May 15, 1941.
Wardens Classes in Chinese (Syllabus
"A")—C333—Mrs. Sang, School, 47 Kai
Yan Rd., Kowloon, Wednesdays and
Saturdays at 7.30 p.m. commencing May
10, 1941. Lecturer—Mr. Ho Chok-nam,
L.A.R.P.
C334—Hong Chung School, 177 Nallian
Rd., Kowloon, Tuesdays and Fridays at
7.30 p.m. commencing May 12, 1941.
Lecturer—Mr. Hung Man-fong, L.A.R.P.
Meetings
There will be no attendance in Kowloon
next week.
Shamshuipo—There will be a meeting
of District Warden and their Deputies at
10.00 hrs. on Thursday, May 9, 1941, at the
Chinese Public Dispensary, Shamshuipo.
Examination Results
The following qualified as L.A.R.P.s
Instructors and should send their A.R.P.
Certificates as soon as possible to Head-
quarters for necessary endorsement:
Shamshuipo—District Warden Chan
Shok and Deputy District Warden Lee
Kee.
Mongkok—Deputy District Warden Fan
Olan.
Tai-pok-tai—Deputy District Warden
Ma Kam.
Central—Deputy District Warden Yuen
Hong-kin.
The following qualified as Warden but
are not available for A.R.P. Service—
Chan Shiu-wing, Miss Tsung Wai-kan.
Strength Increase
The following have qualified as Warden
and are posted as follows:
Eastern—3244 Cheng Mo-hong.
Western—3001 Leung Hau-pang, 3002
Leung Hay, 3003 Fung Yuen, 3004
Leung Yat-mui, 3005 Li Ping, 3006 Ng
Kwong-yat, 3007 Soong Chiu-ling, 3008
Wong Kung-choi.
Gough Hill—3071 Cheng Wai-sun, 3072
Cheng Lu-to, 3073 Chiu I-ching, 3074 Chow-
wai, 3075 Ho Fook, 3076 Kwun Wing, 3077
Kwok Li-pang, 3078 Lai Chan, 3079 Lai
Wing-ki, 3080 Mo Ah-kom, 3081 Tang
Kwok-hing, 3082 Tong Sing-fu, 3083 Tang
King, 3084 Wong Chung, 3085 Wong Tak-
chu, 3086 Wong Wah-ko, 3087 Yeung
Wing-hong, 3088 Yim-kwan, 3089 Yu Wing-
sun.
Central—222 Chan Hoi-chien, 402 Choi
Fai-ting, 2258 Kwong Pak-fong, 3774
Kwong Wai-hung, 3775 Law Kiu-wing,
3801 Liu Pui-hang, 3802 Lui Wai-ming,
3803 Mak Kan-man, 3804 Ng Chiu-lau, 3805
Tsit Wing-kin, 3806 Wong Chiu-man.
Upper Levels—3779 Lee Kwok-kuen,
3780 Miss Chik Pun-tuen, 3807 Liang Wai,
3808 Ma Kam-shing, 3809 Ng Tsui-hing,
3800 Miss Lee Chiu-ling.
(Sgd.) B. H. Puckler,
Deputy Director of Air Raid Precau-
tions.

Sir Robert Ho Tung
Macao, May 3.
Among recent visitors to Macao was
Sir Robert Ho Tung, who has
spent a week here. Sir Robert was
the guest of the Governor of Macao,
at a luncheon in his honour, and he
was also entertained by Mr. P. J. Lobo
at a garden party.
It is reported that Sir Robert Ho
Tung has donated a sum of \$500 to
the fund for Relief of Distress in
Portugal due to the cyclone which
devastated some areas in Portugal, not
long ago.—Our Own Correspondent.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

Notice to Shareholders.

The Seventy-second Ordinary
General Meeting of Shareholders
will be held at the Offices of the
undersigned on Wednesday, the
21st May, 1941, at Noon, for the
purpose of receiving the Report of
the General Managers, together
with a statement of Accounts for
the year ended the 31st December,
1940.

The Share Register and Trans-
fer Books will be closed from the
7th May to the 21st May, 1941,
both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON &
CO., LTD.
General Managers,
The Hongkong Fire Insurance
Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 30th April, 1941.

DEFENCE REGULATIONS 1940

The following rates will be
charged for mailing single copies
of the following newspapers
abroad:—

- South China Morning Post
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- British Empire and Foreign
25 cents per copy
- The Hongkong Telegraph
China and Macao
16 cents per copy
British and Foreign
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PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL and DR. QUO TAI-CHI SPEAK ON THE FIGHT FOR FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT says:
"... we have fought before
for the cause of freedom of
Democracy in the world, and for
the existence of which we are
ever ready to fight again."

MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL says:
"... we are determined that
the cause of freedom shall not
be trampled down..."

DR. QUO TAI-CHI says:
"... China is fighting for
freedom and justice and defend-
ing common civilisation and the
democratic way of life."

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STARRING CARY GRANT AND
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ANSWERS TO THE MANY
PROBLEMS WHICH BESET
THE WORLD TO-DAY!

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING	
T.T. London	1/2 3/4
Demand London	1/2 3/4
T.T. Shanghai	450
T.T. Singapore	102 1/2
T.T. Japan	102 1/2
T.T. India	82 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	23 1/2
T.T. Manila	47 1/2
T.T. Batavia	44 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	140 1/2
T.T. Saigon	103 1/2
T.T. Switzerland	101 1/2
T.T. Australia	1/0 3/4
BUYING	
4 m/s L/C London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/P London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	24 1/4
4 m/s France	84 1/2
30 d/s India	84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	4.03 1/4

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were
issued on the Hongkong Stock Mar-
ket this morning.

BANKS	
H.K. Banks	1315 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K.)	7 1/2 n.
Chartered	8 1/2 n.
Mercantile, A. & B.	22 1/4 n.
Mercantile C.	11 1/4 n.
East Asia	70 b.
INSURANCES	
Cantons	222 1/2 n.
Union	420 n.
China Underwriters	1 n.
H.K. Fire	170 n.
SHIPPING	
Douglas & Co.	128 n.
Steamboats	84 n.
Indo-China P.	80 b.
Indo-China D.	60 n.
Shell (Bearers)	40 7/8 n.
Waterboats	655 n.
DOCKS ETC.	
Wharves	85 1/2 n.
Docks	15 n.
Providence	5 n.
Shai Dockyards	26 1/4 n.
MINING	
Kallan s/-	12 1/2 n.
Raub	8 n.
H.K. Mines	1 1/4 cts. n.
LANDS	
Hotels	280 b.
Lands	31 n.
Land's Debentures	97 1/2 n.
Shai Lands Sh.	120 n.
Humphreys	670 n.
H.K. Realities	290 n.
Chinese Estates	90 n.
UTILITIES	
Trams	16 s.
Peak Trams (old)	7 1/2 n.
Peak Trams (new)	3 1/4 n.
Star Ferries	51 1/4 n.
Ferries	23 1/4 n.
China Lights (old)	500 s.
China Lights (new)	12 n.
H.K. Electric (old)	24 n.
H.K. Electric (new)	23 1/4 n.
H.K. Electric Rts	13 1/4 s.
Macao Electric	17 1/4 s.
Sandakan Lights	12 n.
Telephones (old)	22 1/4 n.
Telephones (new)	9 1/4 n.
INDUSTRIALS	
Cald. Macg. (Ord.)	30 n.
Cald. Macg. (Pref.)	25 n.
Canton Ice	1 n.
Cements	15 n.
H.K. Ropes	640 ss.
STORES, &c.	
Dairy Farms	17 1/4 n.
Watsons	9 1/4 s.
Lane Crawford	7 1/4 s.
Sinceres	215 n.
Wing On (H.K.)	39 n.
Powell Ltd.	1 1/2 n.
COTTON MILLS	
Evo Sh.	37 1/4 n.
Shai Cotton Sh.	200 n.
MISC.	
H.K. Govt 4%	97 n.
H.K. Govt 3 1/2% (1934)	94 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt 3 1/2% (1940)	94 n.
Ch. Govt 5% 1925 G.S.Bds.	28 b.
Entertainments	6 1/4 b.
Constructions (old)	100 n.
Constructions (new)	720 n.
Vibro Piling	673 n.
Marmans Inv. (Lon.)	673 n.
Marmans Inv. (H.K.) s/-	2 1/2 n.

Plugging Up Leaks From U. S. To Axis

WASHINGTON, May 7 (Reuter).
By an executive order President
Roosevelt has subjected the transit of
goods through the United States to
the Export Licence Control system.
This action is interpreted as a fur-
ther step in plugging the leakage of
supplies to Axis or pro-Axis nations
and may to some extent restrict the
movements of goods from South
America to United States ports for
transshipment to other countries, in-
cluding Japan.

Food From U.S. For Britain

WASHINGTON, May 7 (Reuter).
Mr. Claude Wickard, Secretary for
Agriculture, announced the formation
of a joint Anglo-American Commit-
tee to expedite the purchase and
shipment of food to Britain under
the provisions of the Lend and Lease
Act.
Mr. Wickard will be Chairman of
the Committee, which will comprise
three members of the British Food
Mission, and three Americans.

BELGIAN COAL MINERS STRIKE

LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—A
strike has broken out in the Belgian
coal mines, according to information
from Brussels reaching the Free
Belgian news agency.
The miners, who have refused to
join the only Union open to them,
stopped work a week ago and are
being fined two marks for each day
they remain on strike.



SOILING BOOKS in braille which were damaged by fire when the National Library for the Blind, Manchester, was bombed in a recent raid. Many volumes were damaged beyond repair.

£45,000 Taxpayer To Join The Army

One of Britain's biggest taxpayers, who has just sent the
Inland Revenue authorities a cheque for £45,000 for his income-
tax, is waiting to go into the Army for 2s. 6d. a day. He has
already registered for military service in the 36-year-old group
and now awaits his medical examination.

He is George Formby. He
has been helping taxation re-
ceipts, and the war effort, from
his earnings from stage, film,
radio and gramophone records.
For every £1,000 he earns,
£800 goes in taxes.
During a recent week, at the head
of his own variety bill in Bolton, his
gross earnings were £2,877, £600
above the theatre box-office record.
Since the war began he has helped
with other artists to raise £10,000
to £15,000 for charitable causes.
"I'm often told," he said to
a reporter, "that the taxes are
so high that it is hardly worth
while working. But I feel that, as
money is needed to win this war,
the least I can do is to continue to
supply all the taxes I can for the
war effort."

Eight Million Had Rise

Nearly 8,000,000 work-people
in Britain received increases in
their wage rates during 1940,
equal to more than £104,000,000
a year.

This estimate, given in the "Minis-
try of Labour Gazette," covers only
changes reported to the Ministry.
It does not cover farm workers,
shop assistants and Government em-
ployees, who also gained substantial
improvements.

The new national minimum of 48s.
for agricultural workers resulted in
increases of 9s. to 17s. a week for
men.

That represents a gain of some
£17,000,000 a year for 500,000 work-
people.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official
Summary issued yesterday is:
Buyers
Bank of East Asia \$70
Indo-China (Pref) \$80
Provident \$4.00
Trams \$15.50
Macao Electric \$17
Sellers
Providents \$5
Trams \$16
Electric "Rts" \$13.25
Lane Crawford \$7.25
Sales
Hotels \$2.80
Macao Electric \$17.25
Ropes \$0.10

STIMSON GAINS DUTCH PLAUDITS

LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—"Even
Mr. Churchill could hardly have done
better," declared Batavia Radio,
commenting on Colonel Stimson's
speech.
"In a manner worthy of a public
prosecutor, Colonel Stimson flung his
accusations straight into the teeth
of the man who is to blame for all the
miserable has caused to mankind.
The speech was at once a warning
and a declaration," said the an-
nouncer.

Arab Mayor Speaks Up For Britain

JERUSALEM, May 7 (Reuter).—
The Mayor, Nablus Suleiman Toukan,
at a parade to-day said that he
cherished glorious memories of their
brethren who a quarter of a century
ago under the leadership of King
Hussein and his noble sons fought
alongside British troops in defence
of freedom until victory was
achieved.
"If their aim was noble and lofty,
your aim to-day is even more so,"
he said.

Weddings

The following forthcoming wed-
dings are announced:
Mr. Hui Ching, merchant, and Miss
Ng Wai-wan, of 92 High Street;
Lance-Cpl John Darg Rowe Linton,
of the Royal Scots, and Miss Marie
Alice Silver, of 13 Hillwood Road.

Britain Calls Up More Men

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, May 7 (UP).—It is
officially announced that men of 39
and 40 years of age will register for
military service on May 17 and 31
respectively.

Dover Area Shelled

Spotter Plane Downed
LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—
The Dover-area to-night was
rocked by a brief but vicious
burst of shelling by German
long-range guns mounted on the
French coast.
The bombardment began in the
bright light of the setting sun with
salvoes at intervals of several
minutes. The shell-fire warning was
sounded. Civilians were emptied of
audiences, who ran for cover.
One shell-burst turned over a car
which caught fire.
Two people were killed and 12
injured altogether.
Anti-aircraft guns fired on
Messerschmitts spotting for the
German artillery. One Messerschmitt
spilled down out of control and is
believed to have crashed in Mid-
Channel.

YUNNANESE TO STUDY IN U.S.A.

KUNMING, May 7 (Central News).
—In order to create a competent
personnel for service in various fields
of administration in the province, the
Yunnan Provincial Government at its
meeting yesterday decided to dis-
patch students to study in America
on Government scholarships. The
first batch of students numbering 40,
will be sent within a short period.

Rushing Plane Production

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, May 7 (UP).—
Defense circles here to-day indicated
that automobile production may be
halted to further the plane produc-
tion programme.
Meanwhile, emergency facilities
are being rushed to increase the pro-
duction of magnesium and aluminium
which are needed in the manufacture
of bombers.
A future monthly production of
aluminium of 125,000,000 pounds is
planned compared to 25,000,000
pounds in January and 50,000,000
pounds in April.

Stranded Germans Rounded Up

NEW YORK, May 7 (Reuter).—
Over 100 German seamen, stranded
since the outbreak of war, have been
rounded up by the New York Police
and charged with over-staying their
leave in the United States.
It is expected that they will be
interned.
Similar roundups are believed to
be proceeding in other American
ports.

Navy To Take Over Coast Guard

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, May 7 (UP).—The
Secretary of the Navy, Colonel
Frank Knox to-day announced that
all seagoing activities of the Coast
Guard are being transferred to the
Navy.
This involves the transfer of all
the larger craft but not aeroplanes.
The ships will be manned by the
Coast Guard under navy command.
BERLIN, May 7 (UP).—The Free
China Ambassador, Dr. Chen Chieh
returned to Berlin from Chungking
to-day. Authorised quarters stated
that the relations between Germany
and China are normal.

Bishop Of Macao May Be Succeeded By A Singapore Priest

Macao, May 2.
The many friends of His Lordship
the Bishop of Macao, D. Jose da
Costa Nunes, will be pleased to learn
that the Papal Brief appointing him
to the dignity of Primate of the
Orient and Archbishop of Goa is ex-
pected to reach Macao before long.
Dr. Jose da Costa Nunes is laid up
with an attack of influenza, but is
already much better. It is believed
that he will be quite well again
within a few days.

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Bombay, Hongkong, Shanghai
Calcutta, Hongkong, Singapore
Canton, Hongkong, Suva
Cebu, Hongkong, Tientsin
Colon, Hongkong, Yokohama
Delhi, Hongkong, Zibo
Haiphong, Hongkong, Zibo
Hankow, Hongkong, Zibo
FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General
Banking Business transacted.
CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and
FIXED DEPOSITS received for One Year
or shorter periods in Local or Other Cur-
rencies at rates which will be quoted on
application.
SAVINGS ACCOUNTS also opened in
Local Currency and Sterling with interest
allowed at rates obtainable on application.
The Bank's Head Office in London
undertakes Executor & Trustee business
and claims recovery of British Income
Tax over any sums which may be
ascertained at any of its Agencies and
Branches.
W. H. EVANS THOMAS,
Manager.

POST OFFICE

Air Mail Service by British Over-
seas Airways to places west of
Karachi (India) is temporarily
suspended.

The public are reminded that it is
a breach of postal regulations to
enclose in a postal cover communi-
cations intended for persons other than
the addressee.

The Printed Matter Service to the
following places in China is tem-
porarily suspended:—Yunnan, Sze-
chuen, Kweichow, Hunan, Fukien
(except Amoy and Kulangsu),
Kwangtung, North and East of
Kwangtung.

Small Packet Post to all countries
is suspended.

INWARD AIR MAILS
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways
Direct Service"—San Francisco
date, 7th May May 14.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways
Direct Service"—San Francisco
date, 13th May May 20.

OUTWARD AIR MAILS
Friday, May 9
Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to con-
nect with the "British Overseas
Airways".

K.P.O. and G.P.O.
Reg. May 9, 4 p.m.
Ord. May 9, 4.30 p.m.
Wednesday, May 14
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu,
U.S.A., and Europe via "Pan Ame-
rican Airways and Trans-Atlantic
Service".

K.P.O.
Reg. May 14, 5 p.m.
Ord. May 14, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg. May 14, 5 p.m.
Ord. May 14, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, May 20
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu,
U.S.A., and Europe via "Pan Ame-
rican Airways and Trans-Atlantic
Service".

K.P.O.
Reg. May 20, 5 p.m.
Ord. May 20, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg. May 20, 5 p.m.
Ord. May 20, 7 p.m.

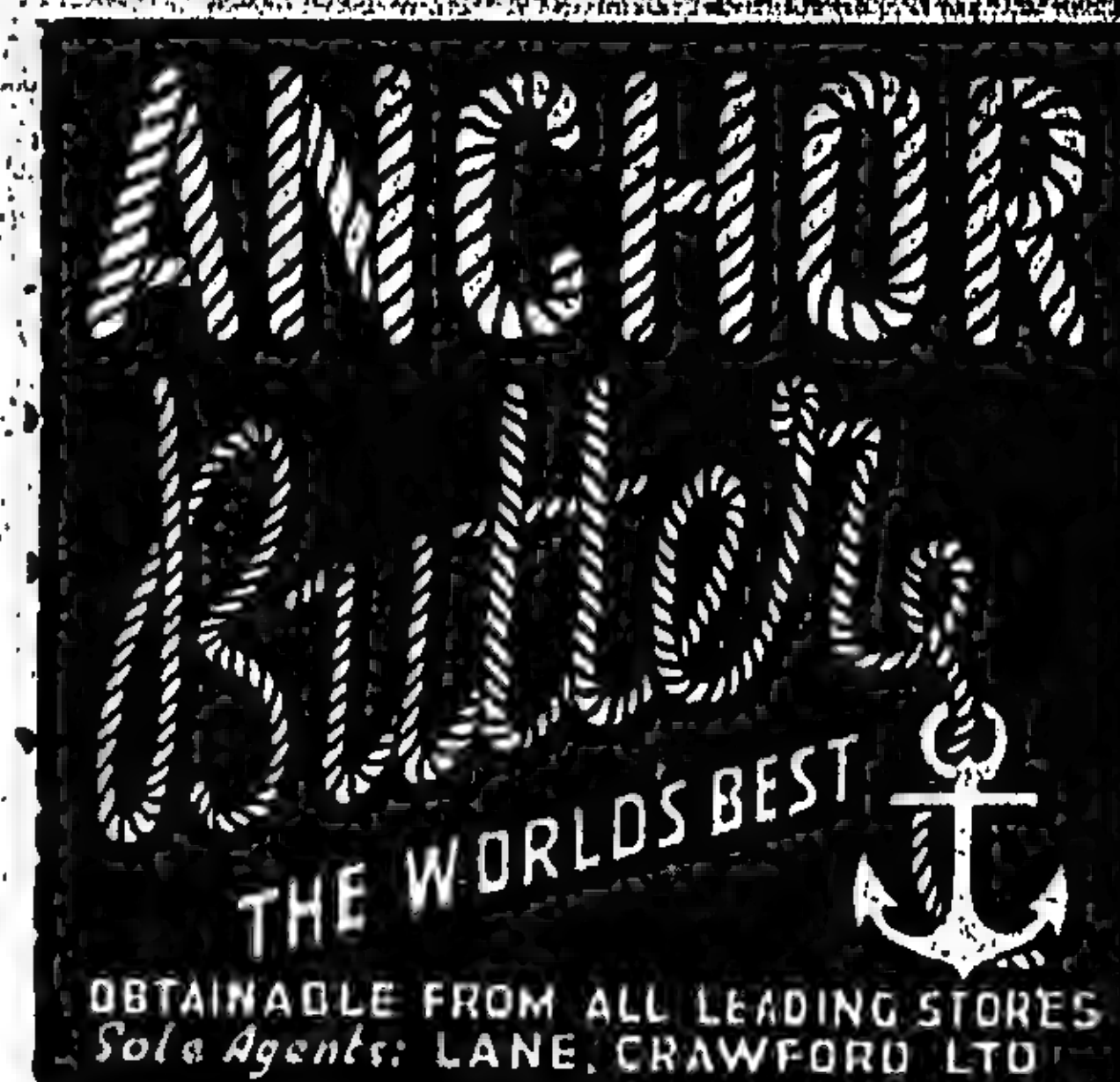
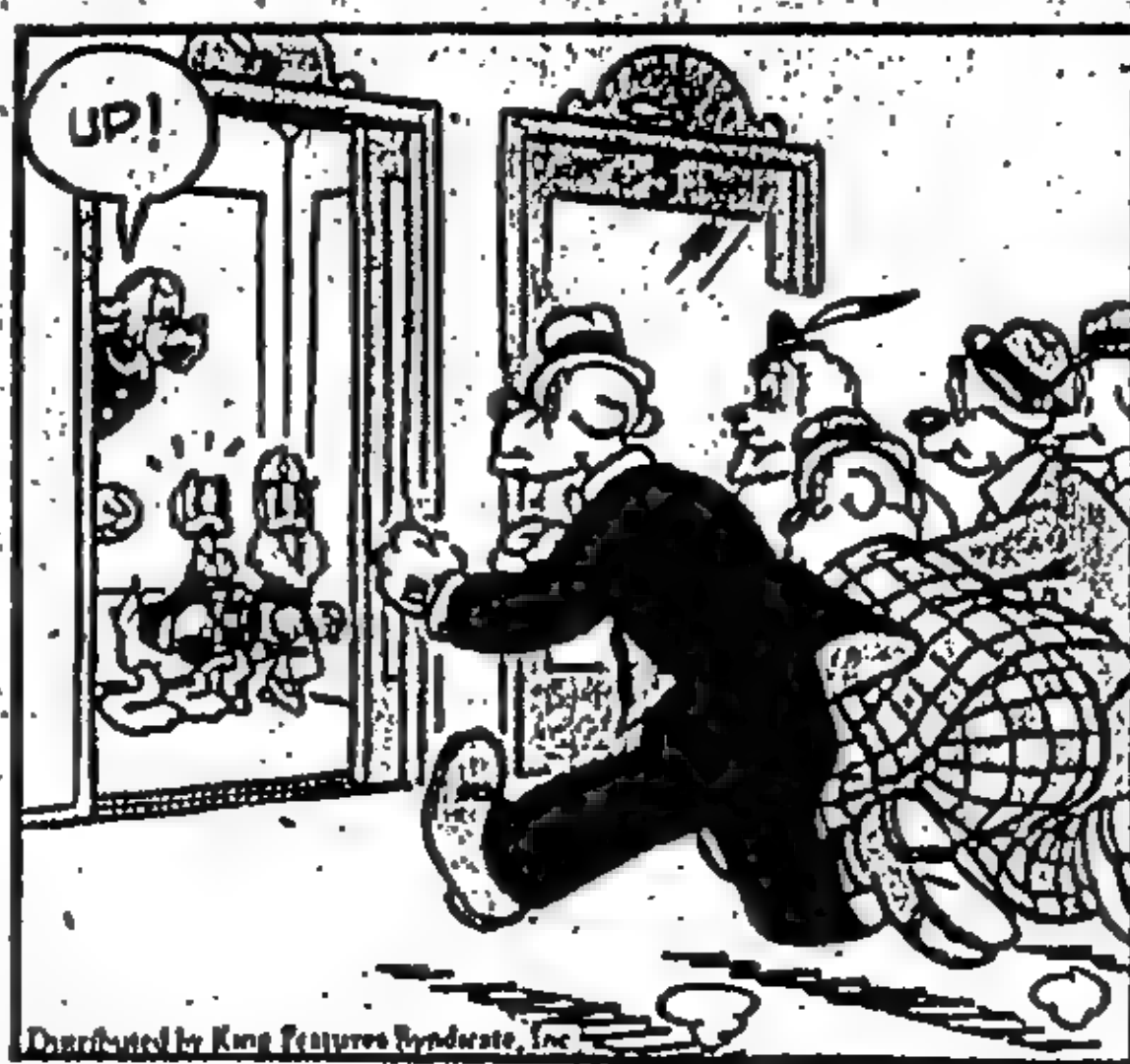
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cession.

12.30 Variety with Tessa O'Shea,
Dick Todd, and Warner and Darnell.
1.01 Local Time Signal.
1.01 Negro Spirituals.
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GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



"If anybody wants me, dear, I'll be here in the orchard!"

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

1. Corded fabric
2. Set for certain day
3. Lined coverings
4. Painted arch
5. Ship a syllable
6. New York canal
7. Powder
8. Small tub
9. Noise to chest
10. Scurvy
11. Interfered
12. Individuality
13. Observe
14. Politeness
15. Repeated
16. Wait
17. Lock of hair
18. Hereditary line
19. Calf's skin
20. Aeriform liquid
21. Projecting label
22. Reward of merit
23. Police
24. Affair
25. Coming
26. Directed to
27. Card game
28. Transgression
29. Worthless dog
30. Rival
31. South
32. Premium for exchange
33. Motion
34. Hub of wheel
35. Wise man
36. Literary mode

DOWN

1. Hide
2. Gambol
3. Mountain
4. Shooting match
5. Dutch cheese
6. Hates
7. Tenders of sheep
8. Sea in Turkish
9. Baked clay
10. Plaster embryo
11. Turkish title
12. Scotch river
13. Banned box
14. More deplorable
15. Politeness
16. Potter's class
17. Immediate
18. Descendant
19. Presence of flowers
20. Pester
21. Implant
22. Disruption
23. Superiority
24. With success
25. Habitual
26. Complete
27. Teacher
28. Title of players
29. Architectural molding
30. Apper
31. Tactless
32. Brain-eating mollusk
33. Commanded
34. Ensl
35. Pause in music
36. Also

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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CLUES

66—Middle of Meruh
67—Canva hove
68—Terminated
69—American coin

PUZZLE

1—Repetition
2—American educator
3—Pur-bearing skin

The Epic of the "51st" In the Battle of France

By G. E. Ley Smith

The famous 51st Highland Division is ready for action again—and for revenge. Round the few hundred who escaped capture at St Valery in June last year, a new "Shock Division" has been built up, and these dour Scots now eagerly await their next meeting with the Hun—in Britain should he venture over the Channel, or elsewhere if they have to seek him.

Of all the units in the British Army, the 51st is the most feared by the Nazis. So elated was the German High Command at capturing 4,000 of them last year that they later marched them through the main cities of the Reich to parade them as evidence of German military victory.

Strange stories are told of the Battle of the Somme, and for the past few days the "Telegraph" has been able to publish an authentic account of the exploits of the valiant band of men as told by those who came back.

The Gordons were forced to abandon their last stand against the enemy on the River Bresle. Neither German artillery nor air bombardment availed to drive them back. The real reason was beyond mortal control.

5. Last Stand on the Bresle

Now comes the tragic retirement to St Valery-en-Caux.

From this point onwards, the battalion, with the rest of the 51st Division fought with astounding heroism all the way across the Rivers Bresle and Bethune to the cliff at St Valery, where they made their final stand.

Surrounded, weary from incessant fighting, their ammunition gone, and without food, they were forced to surrender.

Some of them got away to tell of their adventures.

The general movements of the battalion on its way back to St Valery is known, but countless stories of individual heroism will not be revealed until the end of the war.

What has been told shows the tremendous courage, tenacity, and iron fortitude of all the officers and men.

It was not that they were driven back. It was the old story of the Germans breaking through elsewhere and developing their favourite pincers movement round the flanks. The Division continued to elude the pincers until the configuration of the French coast near the estuary of the Seine and the destruction of the bridges over that river isolated them with only one escape—the sea.

Official statements frequently spoke of the situation at this period—as just before Dunkirk—as being confused. That was perhaps true of the position generally. But the stories of this battalion of the Gordon Highlanders and those of other units which fought in Belgium and Northern France reveal that the units of the B.E.F. conducted their withdrawals in remarkably good order considering the conditions.

Naturally, in the swiftly-moving drama, numbers of men became detached from their units, but the battalions, by the skill of their officers and the courage of the men, maintained such excellent order as to thwart the German manoeuvres.

Such was the case of this battalion right back to St Valery.

After Lt Brooke had sent the damaged carrier back for repairs on June 5, what remained of the Bren gun personnel was formed into a platoon. The single remaining carrier was used to issue fresh ammunition to the companies.

That night the battalion moved back to new positions about five miles to the southwest, the Bren gun carrier "tailing" the battalion on the march.

Throughout June 6 they fought another gallant action, holding up the German advance until night, despite the ferocious assaults the Nazis made on their positions. Just as darkness was coming down, about half-past-nine, the battalion set out on the march again.

Dive-bombers now made their first appearance. They swooped down out of the sky, attacking the convoys as they moved along the roads. Other planes flying at a low level machine-gunned the men on the ground incessantly. "B" Company was shelled continuously for a long time.

During the withdrawal all the way to St Valery it must be remembered the movements of the companies were greatly hampered by the refugees who swarmed along the roads.

On the night of June 6 the battalion crossed the Bresle at Gemaches. Once the Division gained the west side of the river the Royal Engineers blew up the bridges.

Here was an ideal place for a prolonged stand against the Germans. The Gordons held the rise on the west side of the river overlooking the countryside for miles. The Germans would have to come down the slope on the other side, cross the river and come up to their positions. As the river was not fordable, this operation was well-nigh impossible so long as the British were not driven from their

positions by artillery and air bombardment.

For two days the Gordons held the river. The Germans made repeated attacks, but were driven back. The liveliest encounters occurred in the night. Successive fruitless attacks compelled the Nazis to halt and try to dislodge the battalion with heavy artillery and mortar fire.

This proved equally ineffective, but once again the flanks, to the far north and the far south gave way. To the chagrin of the troops they had to leave these strong positions and retire in the darkness.

Though in early June, the nights were pitch black. Frequently the men had to hold on to each other's bayonet scabbards so as not to lose touch. Nevertheless, they reached a wood about twenty kilometres from Dieppe on the morning of June 9 in excellent order and with few casualties.

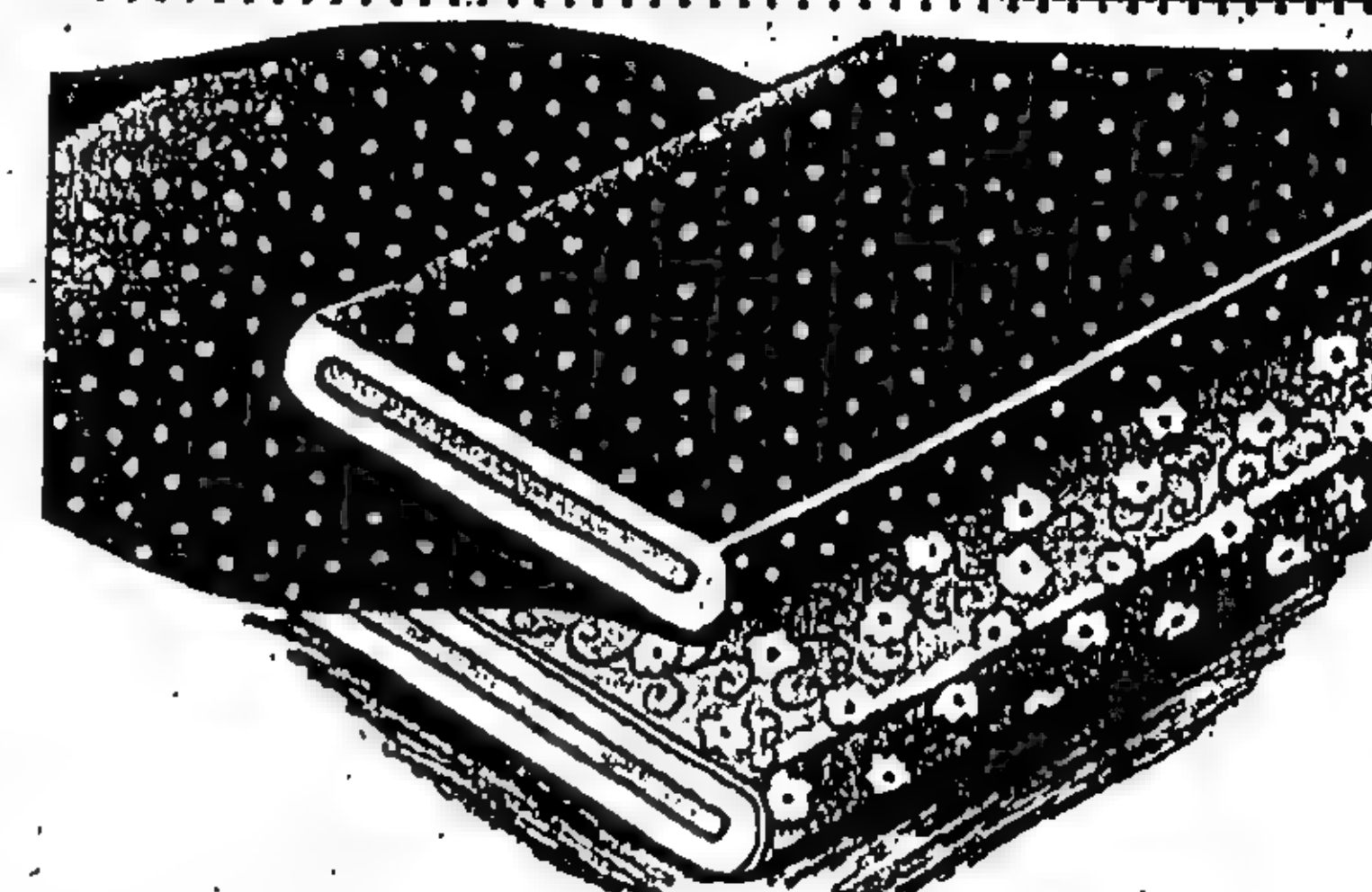
Everywhere around them were instances of unexampled heroism. A few days earlier a company of the Argylls had been cut off and given up as lost. With indomitable spirit they fought their way back through the German lines, passing through the Black Watch, who kept up a screening fire. The Argylls rejoined their comrades during the day the Gordons fought in front of the wood near Dieppe.

Hordes of German bombers passed overhead on their way to and from the port. One day they saw over fifty German planes carrying parachute troops, who were dropped far behind the lines. Five of the parachutists, however, were dropped too soon and came down among the Black Watch, who quickly disposed of them.

Night time brought another of those long marches. On the morning of June 10 they reached an orchard and farmhouse and stayed there all day. Both "C" and "D" Companies were in contact with the Germans. Then at night the battalion retired to the neighbourhood of St Valery.

For a week they had been marching and fighting with practically no sleep. Only by their unequalled fighting spirit were they able to keep going. The shelling had been merciless. German motorised units had harried them mile by mile. Overhead bombers had launched attack after attack. Every kilometre the roads had become more congested with refugees and struggling French troops.

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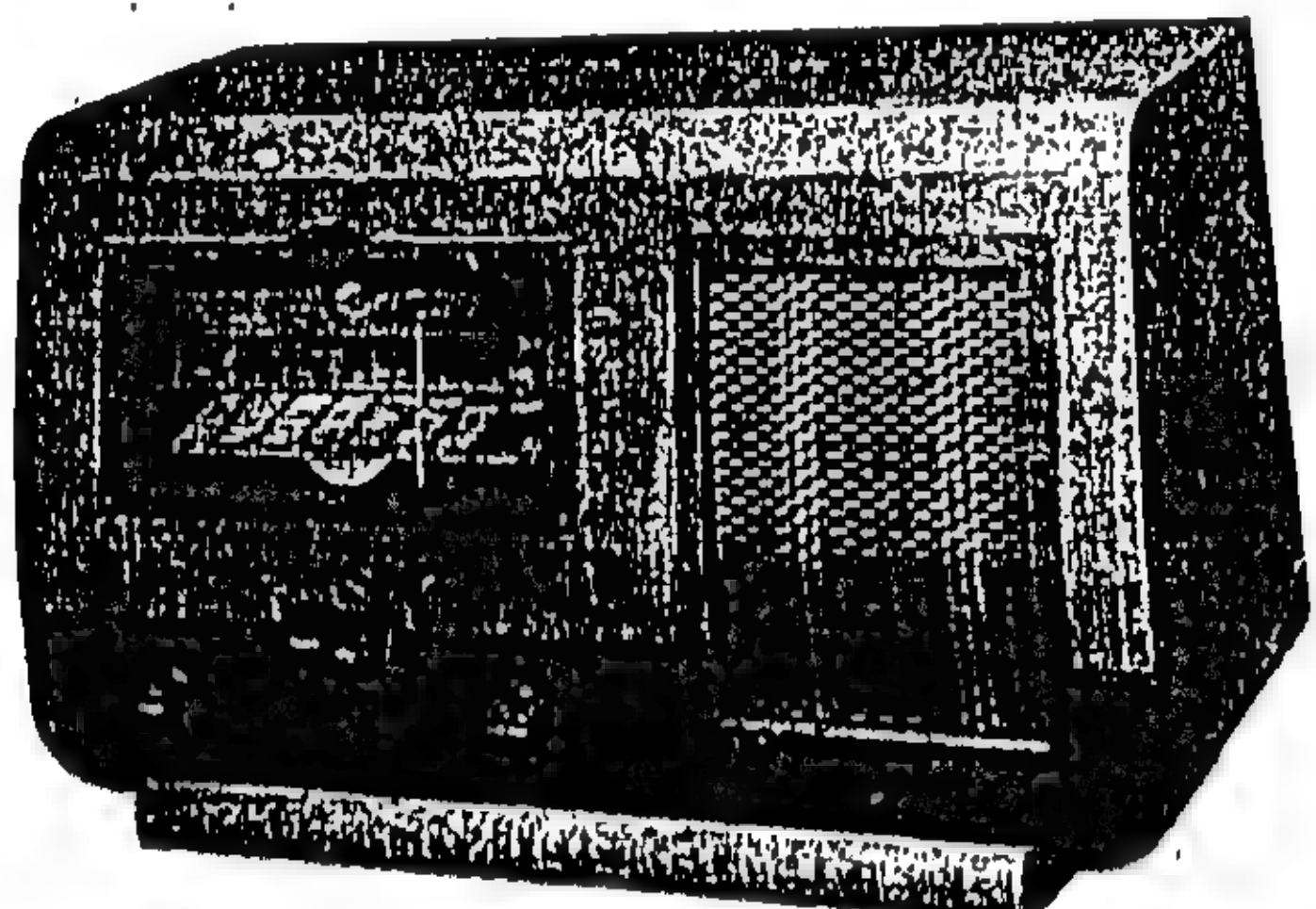


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PORTENTOUS YEAR

THIS year is without doubt the most portentous in the history of Christendom. To believe that one has only to read the well-weighted words of Colonel Stimson, Secretary of State for War, who speaks for the United States Government words that must warm the hearts and steel the sinews of the entire Western Hemisphere. Colonel Stimson is not a man of light utterances. That the United States Cabinet has endorsed such a speech is another great victory to be added to the Destroyer and Bases deal, and the Lend-and-Lease bill.

Britain and her Allies had hoped that the belated revolt of the Serbs, coupled with British reinforcement of the Greek forces would tie up the German strategy for a month or two, and thus seriously imperil Hitler's all-out drive to end the war this year. Although the gallant actions in the Balkans were costly to the enemy and did delay the programme slightly, no irresistible obstacles were in fact put in his path.

Perhaps Hitler's greatest sin is his greatest weapon. With an absolute disregard for honour he can strike anywhere, against any country, without warning. For us to do that would tarnish the ideal of liberty for all peoples for which we are fighting. Thus we have constantly to be on the defensive. The fact that we still honour treaties forbids us to anticipate other than by defence, enemy action through Spain, Portugal, Tunisia, or Japan. It prevented us from intervening in Iraq until we were actually assailed. The British military machine has been tuned up to a degree that gives us confidence but not complacency. We can keep the flag flying this year but we are not strong enough yet to launch an offensive on the continent.

It would appear that Hitler has two sides to consider right now. He must make a "hotel" attack on the British Isles, sacrificing perhaps 10,000 aeroplanes and a million men in order to cut in half the possible Anglo-American coalition before it is born. Alternatively, he can reconcile his people to a long war and trust to Teutonic organisation of the fields and factories of subjugated Europe to beat the blockade. The possibilities, on the fighting fronts are so diverse, and so many that it is idle for all but military experts to dwell on them. Through all the uncertainty however, there shines one light that, like the beam of the searchlight, burns fiercely at its origin and expands more and more to diffuse its rays over a wide area; that light is the spirit animating Britain everywhere never to rest until the German people have been thoroughly whipped.

QUISLINGS REBUFFED

Norwegian Resistance To Nazi Models—Sham Germanic Brotherhood

From a
Norwegian Correspondent

Conditions in Norway have deteriorated steadily since the last week of September, when Quisling's party and "Government" were installed and given full powers by the Germans. The Nazi methods aped by the Quislings, the brutalities of *Hirdmann* (the Norwegian blackmail and blackshirt guard), and the inefficiency of her administration have created a growing opposition against the traitors of themselves and their German masters. The personal visits to Oslo, first of the Nazi Minister of Propaganda, Goebbels, and later of the sinister head of the Gestapo, Himmler, can only have meant that the "protection" of Norway had not developed according to plan.

The Germans had undoubtedly planned that Norway, as the home of her purest Nordic race, should submissively play the part of a tame guinea-pig in the great German Imperial experiment. Norwegians were not impressed by this honour. More intimate contact confirmed to them that the Germans were anything but a people of culture and that their occupation was far below the Norwegian standard.

Resistance

All reports from Norway agree that the resistance to the invaders is becoming more effective; they give many examples of the inventiveness of the Norwegians *Ersatz*. And from all over in their silent war, in which their strongest weapon is cold contempt and scornful active against the oppressors. Whereas the dark winter nights and the forbidding nature of the fjords and mountains chill the intruders, the stoniness of the people freezes them to their bones. It has had a devastating effect on their spirit.

Germans are sentimental under their uniforms. Numerous cases of *Barackenwahn* (barrack insanity) are reported. It evinces itself in melancholia punctuated by fits of rage.

The Norwegians have developed the demonstration of their scorn to a fine art. The Germans attempted to imprison those who laughed at them, but had to desist. The fear of being laughed at

has spread among the German forces to such a degree that many are bashful of using the Nazi greeting in public.

Against Oppression

Open opposition has been expressed in many ways. A number of important national organisations have come out in open opposition to the Quislings. The biggest organisation of Norwegian farmers, Norges Bondelag, refused with an overwhelming majority to join Nasjon Samling, the Quisling Party. The Board of the German Imperial experiment, Norwegians were not impressed by this honour. More intimate contact confirmed to them that the Germans were anything but a people of culture and that their occupation was far below the Norwegian standard.

The organised workers in Oslo have circulated a strong protest against the dismissal of the old trade-union officials, emphasising the utter inefficiency of the new *Ersatz*. And from all over the country come reports that the workers are firmly and actively against the oppressors.

Judges And Bishops

A climax in this development was undoubtedly reached by the resignation of all the members of the Norwegian Supreme Court as a protest against Terboven's attempt to convert the law courts and the legal administration into a part of the Nazi terrorist machine. Their unanimous resignation was accompanied by a protest against the violation of the Norwegian constitution, which Terboven, the Reichskommissar, had promised to respect, and of international law, to which the Germans still pay a cynical lip service. After considerable search the Quislings succeeded in finding some new Judges, most of them rather obscure lawyers, and these have now completely submitted to the will of the Germans.

It was in this sequence of events that, as already reported in *The Times*, the seven Bishops of Norway wrote their letter to Skancke, the Quislingist Minister for Church and Education, expostulating against the outrages of the *Hirdmann* and asking whether the promise given by Hitler and Terboven of full religious freedom and legal independence could still be trusted.

A request to members of the Oslo police that they should apply for membership of Quisling's party had the result that half the force sent in their resignations. An order that they should use the Nazi salute caused a strike. In consequence, German police can now be seen on duty in the streets of Oslo in increasing numbers.

Clashes between the population and the *Hirdmann* are becoming more frequent in towns throughout Norway. People have been killed and wounded in demonstrations against German soldiers and against the *Hirdmann*.

In Drammen a few days ago a swaggering young member of the *Hird* was lynched by the population. The *Hird* has been notoriously reinforced. Some notorious lawbreakers and bandits have been included in the bodyguard. They are being constantly drilled to more aggressive and brutal methods.

Increased Lawlessness

Lawlessness is increasing. The Bishop of Oslo, Dr Berggrav, has stated that the extraordinary conditions prevailing were causing looseness in moral life. Appeals have been circulated urging the inhabitants to pay no attention to provocations and not to give the *Hird* the chance to cause any sensational incident. "When the signal is given for united action [the circular states] we shall fight with clean weapons; until then we shall remain calm and continue our passive resistance." It is, however, clear that the greatest difficulty is to hold in check the impatience of the enraged population. The British successes in Africa have strengthened the will to resist and the hopes of a quick deliverance.

In spite of heavy fines being imposed upon the population, many acts of sabotage are taking place. In West Norway the German cables have been cut on several occasions. The city of Stavanger was recently condemned to pay a fine of 50,000

kroner. Trondheim had to pay 60,000 kroner, and the country of Vestfold 100,000 kroner.

Many arrests have followed the severing of telephone lines, especially in the western districts, where German defences have been seriously interfered with. It is sometimes found that the air-raid signal is out of order when the British bombers arrive. The famous Bergen-Oslo railway, with its 184 tunnels, is in constant difficulties; the journey, normally of about 11 hours, now takes from 24-40 hours, if it can be done at all.

Districts Isolated

Curfew was introduced in many places. In many districts Norwegians are allowed to travel from one place to another only with the special permission of the German authorities. Some districts are virtually cut off from their surroundings. This is especially the case round Bergen, which is considered the centre of the opposition.

The new political people's court will shortly begin its activities, chiefly in Oslo, but also in Stavanger, Bergen, Trondheim, and Tromsø, going on circuit to cope with the numerous cases now awaiting trial. Their number is said to be more than 2,000. It is also reported that other political captives have been transferred to Germany to serve their sentences there.

Political Prisons

Oslo has three political prisons, all run by the Germans with German guards. The chief prison, which normally has about 150 inmates, is now housing about 600. The present prisoners include Colonel Lund, from Bergen, Colonel Halvor Hansson, Major Lindbaek, Hr. Tonnessen, Chief of Police in Kristiansand; Major Fin Back; Hr. Bjorn Hansen, a shipowner and president of the Norwegian Shipowners' Federation; Hr. Klavness, manager of the Norwegian Shipowners' Federation; and Hr. Emil Stang, one of the resigned Judges of the Norwegian Supreme Court.

There are concentration camps at Ulven outside Bergen and in the Oster Valley.

The editor of the important Liberal provincial paper *Stavanger Aftenblad*, Sven Oftedahl, is in the Bergen concentration camp, and Trond Hegna, who wrote an article, "The Norwegians are not for Sale," previously referred to in *The Times*, is in another camp. Hr. Paal Berg, arrested again a few days ago, was president of the Supreme Court from 1929 till he resigned with the other Judges. He is a former Minister of Justice.

Ill-Treatment

The prisoners are ill-treated. The most usual procedure is for one man to hold the prisoner while others punch his face. Prisoners have been compelled to stand barefoot in the snow while revolver shots were fired round their legs, in the hope of making them break down and denounce others. After their interrogation many prisoners have had to be taken to hospital with broken ribs and ear-drums. They are not allowed to read books, not even the Bible, nor may they receive visitors or letters.

The description of the treatment of these political prisoners given by those who have left prison is scarcely believable.

The Younger Generation

Sentences of death were recently passed on three young men of Bergen for having used a secret transmitter, with which they were accused of having sent out information about the German Army. They were gifted young men who had excelled both in their work and in games. Their tragic fate may drive underground the activities against the Germans, but in doing so it will only intensify the feeling against the invader.

After all the German efforts to win over the Norwegian people; first by soft words and then by prisons and concentration camps, have failed, attempts are being made to conquer the younger and more impressionable generation with high-sounding phrases about the Germanic brotherhood which shall lift Norway out of its democratic depravity to power and "real" independence. They also will fail. In spite of Terboven's planning and that Nazi stagecraft which was so effective in Germany, the response in Norway has been extremely poor.

IS YOUR BOY CLEVER?

By

"Magister"

EVERY parent, with the exception of those amazingly eccentric parents—they do exist—who are jealous of their own children, hopes his boy is clever.

Clever parents usually have clever children, and the offspring of dull parents are as a rule dull. Of course, exceptionally, the doll may have a clever father and a clever boy may have dull parents.

Nature's variety is infinite. There is one point, however, on which we may be sure. As the rain falls on the just and the unjust alike, so brains are not the prerogative of the rich or of the poor.

That money can provide for the training of given brains is obviously true, and so the impression is created that brains are more often found among the moneyed classes.

The dull child of poor parents remains a hewer of wood and a drawer of water while the dull child of wealthy parents may reach great heights. Westminster itself could, not infrequently, provide specimens to support the latter assertion. For future success youthful environment is more important than innate ability.

How are you going to recognise cleverness in your child? The usual school examinations

are at least a rough and ready guide, but here much depends on the teachers your boy has had the good or bad fortune to get. A sympathetic and clever teacher can make a child's intellect blossom like the rose, whereas a lout of a teacher may ruin any child placed in his charge.

One is sometimes aghast at the delightful casualness in the choice of teachers. You can, however, tell without much bother if your boy is clever by the marks he gets, especially in certain subjects.

For example, if a boy has consistently high marks in mathematics he must have brains, for no amount of "swotting" will give success in this subject if a boy is not brainy. There have been, of course, brilliant exceptions to this. Some very able men boast of having "no head for mathematics." Examination of these cases would occasionally, I am sure, point to poor teachers of mathematics.

Clever boys usually have high marks all over. That a boy may be very clever in one subject and dull in all others is most exceptional.

If you know that your boy is clever, watch carefully over his progress. Clever people are like good horses, inclined to kick over the traces. Take care that your clever boy learns to apply himself. If he can do things easily he may become conceited and casual, and here danger lies. Get your boy to take pains, for only by doing so can he reach success.

On the other hand, beware that he does not hurt himself with too much study, that his intellect does not benefit at the expense of his body. Let him play games and read novels and go to the "pictures," all within reason, of course, you will make "Jack a dull boy."

The time will come when you will have to face the question of what you are to make of your clever son. If you have money, or if your boy can win scholarships—consult his schoolmaster about these—then give him the full course at one of the secondary schools.

This stage completed, the boy can enter a university (scholarships are again available) and take a course leading to divinity, law, medicine, science, with its branches in engineering, agriculture, forestry, veterinary science, dentistry, etc., or he may, on the other hand, enter such businesses as banking, insurance, or accountancy. Exceptionally, he may start a career in art or music. For a clever boy there is a wide choice.

Whatever you do, do not let your boy drift. Oh, he doesn't know what he wants to be, so I'm just letting him, &c. &c.

When your boy reaches the age of 16 it is most advisable that he should know the road he is taking, or you will waste his time and your money.

CHURCHILL ANSWERS HIS CRITICS: TEXT OF SPEECH TO COMMONS

FROM PAGE ONE

appointments in the field they have the right to know where they stand with the Commons and where the Commons stands with the country.

No Exaggeration
"It is still more important for the sake of foreign nations, especially nations balancing their policy at the present time, and who should be left in no doubt about the stability of this resolved and obstinate war government. It is essential, considering the tremendous issues at stake—really, we ought not to exaggerate the frightful risks we are all going to run and which are being run—we should have a certificate upon these matters. In enemy countries there is the liveliest interest in our proceedings. I flatter myself that high hopes are entertained that all will not go well with His Majesty's present advisers at the present time."

"The only way in which these doubts can be removed, these expectations discouraged, is by a full debate followed by a division. The Government is entitled to ask that such a vote shall express itself in unmistakable terms."

Irritating Criticism
"I should be the last to reject even unfair criticism or false criticism which is so much more searching, but there is a kind of criticism which is a little irritating."

"When a bystander sees a team of horses dragging a heavy wagon uphill and cuts a switch from the hedge and belabours them, he may well be animated by benevolent purpose and benefit may result from his efforts to get the wagon more quickly to the top. But it would be a pity if this debate consisted wholly of critical and condemnatory speeches because it would give a distorted impression to important interested foreign observers who are not well acquainted with our Parliamentary or political affairs. Therefore, I ask for a vote of confidence. (Cheers.)"

Institutions Upheld
"This is a free Parliament and a free country. We have succeeded in maintaining under unprecedented difficulties dangers which in some cases might be mortal, the whole process and reality of Parliamentary institutions. (Cheers.) I am proud of it. It is one of the things we are fighting for. I cannot believe that any man could bear the kind of burden which falls upon the Government to-day unless he were sustained by and strongly convinced of the

support of the Commons and the nation.

"The only relief I feel is that everything in human power was done by us and that our honour as a nation is clear. Mr. Hore-Belisha and some others have spoken of the importance in war of full and accurate intelligence of the enemy's movements and intentions. That is one of the glimpses of the obvious in which his speech abounded."

Balkans Warnings

"As far as the German invasion of the Balkans was concerned, we had for long been fore-warned of what was in prospect. Our diplomacy has never ceased for a moment to apprise the countries of the perils coming on them and to urge common action by which alone could security safely be attained."

"For weeks we watched the remorseless movements of vast German forces through Hungary, Rumania and Bulgaria towards Yugoslavia until at least 40 divisions, including five armoured divisions were massed on the scene. Hitler has told us that it was a crime in such circumstances for us to go to the aid of the Greeks. I don't want to enter into argument with experts (laughter) at this is not the kind of crime of which he is a good judge (laughter)."

Unregretted Act

"Looking back upon the course of events, I can only feel, as the Prime Minister of New Zealand so nobly declared, that if we had again to tread that path over the knowledge that we possess to-day, I for one would do the same thing again (Cheers). But after all, military operations must be judged by the success which attends them rather than the sentiments which inspire them, though these may play their parts in the verdict of history and in the survival of races."

"It remains to be seen whether the Italian Dictator in invading Greece, and the German Dictator in coming to his rescue and involving Greece and Yugoslavia in a bloody welter, in fact have gained an advantage or suffered a loss when the full story is complete, even from the military viewpoint."

Maintaining Nazi Rule

"The addition of the whole Balkan people to the number of ancient independent states which have fallen under the Nazi yoke and have to be held down by brute force or intrigue may by no means prove a source of strength to the German army. This vast machine is now spread from the Arctic to the Aegean and from the Atlantic to the Black Sea. That is no source of strength."

"Turning from the military to the political aspect, nothing can more surely debar the Germans from establishing and shaping a new Europe, and one will certainly emerge, than the fact that the German army and the German race have become and are becoming more universally and intensely hated among the peoples of all lands than any enemy or any race. History bears record (Cheers)."

High Purpose

"Napoleon flashed away. So I derive confidence that the will-power of the British nation, expressing itself through the stoudest and unyielding House of Commons, will once again perform its liberating functions and humbly execute the high purpose among men."

"I say this with more confidence because we are no longer a small island lost in the northern mists but around us gather in broad array all nations of the British Empire. Now from across the Atlantic the mighty United States Republic proclaims itself on our side or at our side, or at any rate near our side."

"I do not to-day discuss the large and complicated questions of munitions or food questions. Probably in a secret session, the Minister of Supply will make a statement to the House."

Tank Strategy

"There is one simple point about tanks which Mr. Hore-Belisha in his speech yesterday might have mentioned, for he was Head of the War Office in the years preceding the war. In the last war, tanks were built to go three or four miles an hour and stand up to rifle or machine-gun bullets. In the interval mechanical science has advanced so much that it is possible to make tanks go up to 25 miles an hour and stand up to cannon fire. It is a particular revolution by which Hitler has profited. "It was well known in military and technical circles for years before the war. It did not spring from German but from British ideas and others like General de Gaulle. It has been exploited and turned to our grievous injury by the non-inventive but highly competent and imitative Germans. For the comfort of Mr. Hore-Belisha, let me tell him that we are making every month now as many heavy tanks as there existed in the British Army at the time that he left the War Office and that we shall, before the end of this year, be producing nearly double that. This takes no account of the immense production in the United States."

Reply To Lloyd George

Replying to Mr. Lloyd George's criticisms, about the composition of the Government, Mr. Churchill declared that the Government works easily and effectively at present, and "I do not propose to make further change until further advised."

"Something has been said of the importance of my being surrounded by people who would stand up to me and say 'No! No! No!'. He has no idea how strong the principle is in the Government. The British people are not easily misled. (Laughter.)"

brake put on the wheel but to get more impetus and force behind it."

"In the business of Libya and Greece no violence has been done by us and that our honour as a nation is clear. All our decisions have been unclouded and purely voluntarily in goodwill under the pressure of events. I personally as head of the Government obviously assumed responsibility in the most direct personal form. It follows that I am one whose head may be cut off but we do not win the war and I am very ready that this should be so—and that because members of the House would probably experience an even more unpleasant fate at the hands of the triumphant Nazis (Laughter)."

Middle East

"There is a tendency in some quarters, especially abroad, to talk about the Middle East as if we could afford to lose our position there and yet carry on the war to victory on oceans and in the air. Stated as an academic strategic fact that may be true, but do not let anyone underestimate the gravity of the issues being fought for in the Nile valley."

"The loss of the Nile valley and the Suez Canal, to the Nile valley and the Mediterranean and of Malta would be among the heaviest blows we could sustain. We are determined to fight for them with all the resources of the British Empire and we have every reason to believe that we shall be successful."

"General Wavell has under his orders at present nearly half a million men. A continuous flow of equipment has been in progress from this country during the last ten months, and now that Italian resistance in Abyssinia, Africa and the Somaliland is collapsing, a steady concentration northwards of all these forces is possible."

Desert Warfare

"Indeed it has been for many weeks rapidly proceeding, and General Smuts has ordered the splendid South African Army (cheers) forward to the Mediterranean shore. But the warfare of the Western Desert or of any of the deserts which surround Egypt, can only be conducted by comparatively small numbers of highly equipped troops."

"Employment in the desert of large numbers may only lead to disaster. That is what happened to the Italians. 100,000 men lay along African soil and once the head of these forces was chopped off it was not physically possible for them to retreat."

"The same thing, with important modifications, might well have happened to us when German armoured forces defeated and largely destroyed our single armoured brigade which was guarding the advance frontier of the province of Cirenaica."

At El Agheila

"I have an account of what happened at El Agheila. The Generals were taken prisoner by taking undue risks in personal movements. Events are moving so fast and people have so much to do that there is no time to dwell on the past, but certain broad features will surprise the House."

"The German armoured force was not much larger than our own. Technical mistakes and mischances occurred. With very little fighting our armoured forces became disordered. The other troops had to be brought in to mop up the remnants, which, by rapid retreat, gained Tobruk—unmolested, and—with reinforcements stands there at bay to-day."

Opportunist Drive

"As we know the Germans had no expectations of proceeding beyond El Agheila. They meant to engage our armoured forces and create a diversion to prevent the despatch of reinforcements to Greece whilst bringing over large forces from Italy and Sicily."

"When they won their surprising success, they accepted it with organised audacity, and pushed on into the desert taking little thought of what they should eat or drink on the morrow. They pushed on until they were up against the very heavy prop at Tobruk and until they came to the large forces which guard the frontiers of Egypt and the back securely based on road and sea communications."

"At present they have stopped. It would be foolish to carry the story further, but as long as the enemy has the superiority in armoured vehicles they will have the advantage in desert warfare, although at present the air forces are about equal."

Germans Face Problems

"For the invasion of Egypt with the German main force, enormous preparations would be required. A pipe line might have to be made to carry an artificial river forward with the troops. We are lying back on our fortified desert, which, incidentally, is the worst ground for armoured vehicles."

"We have command of the sea, and the Germans are confronted with problems far more difficult than any they have solved in Africa. This is all the more true while we are defending as we intend to defend to the death without thought of retirement, the highly offensive outposts of Crete and Tobruk."

"Crete has not yet been attacked. The strategic significance of Tobruk was obvious from the first, and anyone can see how irresistibly it has proved itself on the enemy. We intend to fight with all our strength for the Nile valley and the command of the Mediterranean. Our troops and our resources will give a good account of themselves."

Generals' Mistakes

"Therefore, let there be no feather-headed or defeatist talk about cutting our losses in the Middle East. As I said in December, when our situation in Egypt was far more critical than now, it is a case of deeds not words."

"Our Generals on the spot believed that no superior German force could advance effectively across the desert as soon as we quickly, as they did, not only did advance they would not be able to maintain themselves. (Laughter.)"

takes in war is very unreal and foolish."

"It has yet to be seen how the forces that have advanced will fare in heavy fighting with all the hazards which will lie before them at no great distance."

"When your enemy has five or six times the regular army that you have, when he is more adequately equipped and is much stronger in the air and in tanks, and when he lies in the centre of the war scene and can strike out in one, two or three directions simultaneously out of choice of seven or eight, it is evident that your problem becomes rather difficult."

Regarding Iraq

"It is not possible to avoid repeated rebuffs and misfortunes and these we shall very likely have to go through for quite a long time. Our Intelligence Service was thought to be the best in the world during the last war and it is certainly not the worst in this war to-day."

"As long ago as last May, the Foreign Office began to ask for troops to be sent to Iraq to guard our lines of communications. But all the troops we had got had to go to the Nile Valley."

"In default of troops it was difficult to make headway against the pro-Axis intrigues of Raschid Ali whose object obviously was to have everything ready for the Germans as soon as they could reach Iraq according to plan. Therefore the ill-informed and foolish British Government actually forestalled this plot. Strong British forces landed and assumed control of the highly important bridgehead in the east—Basra—for which we shall doubtless have to fight hard and long. Raschid Ali was led to more violent courses. For several days we were very anxious about the position there."

Successful Raid

"Yesterday the garrison at Habbaniyah sallied out and completely routed the besiegers and put them to flight. Twenty-six Iraqi officers and 408 men were taken prisoners and total enemy casualties were estimated at 1,000."

"Possibly the Germans will arrive before we have crushed the revolt, in which case our task will become more difficult. Possibly the revolt went off half cock."

"We intend to assist the Iraqis to get rid of Raschid Ali and his military dictatorship at the earliest possible moment."

"I have never promised anything but blood, tears, toil and sweat, to which I will add our full share of mistakes, shortcomings and disappointments and also that this may go on for a very long time, and at the end of which I firmly believe that there will be a complete and final victory (Cheers)."

Battle of Atlantic

"It is a mistake to say that the Battle of the Atlantic is won. Our test is the number of tons of imports brought in. At present we are maintaining the rate of traffic with heavy losses. We are trying to meet these losses by building new ships, repairing the damaged ships and accelerating the turning-round of our ships in ports."

"We have made great progress in all these spheres but there is much more to do. With the continued flow of assistance already given us by the United States, we can probably maintain our minimum essential traffic during 1941. For 1942 we must look to the immense construction of merchantmen in the United States. I have received an assurance of the construction by the United States which, added to our own large programme, should see us through this year, maybe 1943, if we have to endure it as a year of war, will present easier problems."

United States Aid

"The United States patrol announced by President Roosevelt takes a considerable part of the Atlantic in a certain degree of our hands, but we need a good deal more help and I expect that we shall get a good deal more help in many ways. It has been declared that we are to have all the help that is necessary, but here I speak with caution because the British Minister can forecast and still test prescribe the policy of the United States."

"When a mighty democracy of 130,000,000 gets on the move, one can only await the full developments of the translation of those vast psychological manifestations into physical means."

"Hitler has said that he has lost, long ago, declared war on them. "I have never under-rated our problems and dangers. We are fighting for our life and for survival from day to day and hour to hour. But Hitler has his problems too, and if we only remain united and strive to do our utmost to increase our own strength and work together like one great family, helping each other as the five million families in Britain are doing to-day under enemy fire, I cannot conceive how anyone can doubt that victory will crown the good cause which we serve."

Achievements

"It is almost a year since the disastrous battle of France. Little did we know what storms and perils lay before us and little did Hitler know when he declared that the total capitulation of France and expected to be master of Europe in a few weeks and of the world in a few years that, ten months later, he would be appealing to the much-tried German people to prepare themselves for the war of 1042."

"When I look back upon the perils which we have overcome and remember all that has gone wrong and all that has gone right I feel sure that we have no need to fear the tempest. "Let it roar, let it rage. We shall come through." (Cheers.)"

President Roosevelt's Condition Improves

WASHINGTON, May 7 (Reuters).—President Roosevelt's condition has improved but his doctor has asked him to stay indoors for a few more days.

Vichy-Nazi Accord Closer

Daily Payments Cut

VICHY, May 7 (Reuters).—An agreement between Admiral Darlan, the Vichy Foreign Minister, and Herr Otto Abetz, the Nazi Ambassador to France, is announced, providing for modification of restrictions on the demarcation line between the Occupied and Unoccupied zones in France and a reduction in the costs of the German Army of occupation.

With regard to the occupation costs, it is envisaged that as a first step France's daily payments will be reduced by 25 per cent, from 400,000 francs to 300,000,000. Other questions have still to be decided.

Workers' Feelings

ZURICH, May 7 (Reuters).—French workers like the great mass of the French public inwardly reject the policy of rapprochement with Germany, although some Trade Union leaders support Laval, states the newspaper "Volksrecht" describing conditions in France.

The fact that at almost every street corner is a De Gaulle sign (a big "V" surrounding the Cross of Lorraine) is scrawled on houses speaks for itself, as does the habitual disinclination of the people to telephone at mid-day or during the evening in order not to disturb listeners to British broadcasts in French.

The Germans buy up far the greater part of the goods arriving at Marseilles. The goods are carried northward in German railway wagons which are visible to anyone.

German Traffic

Marseilles dislikes the spectacle of German wagons bringing coal for German steamers operating under the German flag in coastal traffic in French Territorial waters, chiefly between Marseilles and Barcelona.

Ill-feeling is still more marked in occupied France than elsewhere. Reliable testimony from two different towns in northern France confirms American press reports that the population greet jubilantly the visits of the R.A.F. planes, despite the suffering caused by the bombardments.

The Agreement

VICHY, May 7 (Reuters).—An agreement has been reached between Admiral Darlan and the German authorities in Paris, it is announced here to-night.

It provides that the demarcation line between Occupied and Unoccupied France will be open in general for passage of goods and securities. Persons will be allowed to travel between the two zones in the event of serious illness or death of a relative.

Free correspondence by plain post-cards will be allowed. Permission to cross the line will be granted to members of the Army and Air Force on the same conditions as already in force for sailors.

Petalin's Journey

LONDON, May 7 (Reuters).—Marshal Petain has left his estate near Cannes by special train to meet Admiral Darlan, according to the Paris radio.

Japanese Raid Over Sian

SIAN, May 7 (Central News).—More than twenty persons were killed and over ten houses destroyed as a result of the Japanese air raid over Sian yesterday morning. Fifty-eight Japanese planes, flying in groups of six each, conducted raids over wide-spread areas in Shensi. Among the towns visited and bombed were Sian, Sienyang, Tungchow, Tengchow and other cities.



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Lloyd George Speaks In Debate

LONDON, May 7 (Reuters).—The resumption of the debate on a vote of confidence was opened by Mr. Lloyd George with a spirited speech. He said that with the first part of the resolution (expressing confidence in the Government) everyone agreed, but there were parts of the Government's war administration on which there was dissatisfaction and disappointment.

Mr. Lloyd George asked why Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, whilst taking the loyalty of Turkey withheld the fact that Turkey allowed German ships to pass through the Dardanelles into the Bosphorus to seize an island.

Appealing for more information, Mr. Lloyd George said: "We are not an infantile nation to withhold unpleasant facts from. This nation has faced far too many crises and defeats in the past to be frightened by anything that has happened even up to the present."

Mr. Lloyd George thanked God for Colonel Stimson's speech which showed the gravity of the position, but it was most important "not to exaggerate what you are going to get, or rather how quickly you are going to get it."

America's Task

In the last war, America put her feet in the Atlantic while Japan guaranteed the Pacific, but to-day Americans had got to keep in mind that they were now the sole guardians of the Pacific. If America was going to enable us to catch up and then overtake Germany, she had got to do infinitely more than any indication he had heard of up to the present.

He urged the Prime Minister to reconsider the whole distribution of manpower and have a real War Council of three or four men who should have nothing to do but study the problems and give the Prime Minister their mature advice.

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Hata's Inspection Of Front Lines

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" NANKING, May 7 (Domel).—General Shunroku Hata, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese Expeditionary Forces in China, who has been inspecting the fronts near Kingman, Yingshan, Yingsheng, Nan-chang and other places in the Wuhan area, returned here yesterday.

LONDON, May 7 (Reuters).—Lord Beaverbrook was recalled at Buckingham Palace by the King to-day on his appointment as "Minister of State."

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TO-MORROW AT THE KING'S

Tennis Singles Final Abandoned At Two Sets All

Dour Struggle Between Tsui Brothers On Stand Court

(By "Tinker")

THE SUDDEN GATHERING of clouds around the Peak which caused an overshadowing of the Stand Court brought about the abandonment of the Open Tennis Singles Final yesterday between the Tsui brothers after each had won two sets.

It was a great struggle in its baseline duels. Tsui Yun-pui showed the greater inclination to advance to the net, but he was definitely the weaker in that position. He lost several points when almost on top of the net, whereas Wai-pui scored with well controlled volleys when similarly placed.

The baseline shots were of a high standard. Each exploited the backhand with great accuracy and the prolonged rallies were fine to watch.

Attendance in the Stand was poor. Prices had been increased to \$5 and \$2, with the seats on the other side of the court raised from 50 cents to \$1. The proceeds are for the Bomber Fund.

By far the finest shot of the match was Yun-pui's backhand drive as he advanced to the net. It paved the way to what should have been winning shots but for his weakness at the net.

Wai-pui matched his brother's speed with court-craft and controlled short drop shots that were another feature of the match. For the opening game, however, he was definitely on the defensive, and played only as well as his younger brother would permit.

Yun-pui led 1-0, 2-0, 2-1, 3-1, 4-1, 5-1, 5-2, 5-3 and won at 6-3. The 4th and 5th games were love games, while in the 6th Wai-pui was only able to take one point. In the 7th, Yun-pui led 40-15 on his own service, but failed with both set points and lost four in a row for the game.

He came back strongly in the last game, however, which was another love-game, and scored the last point with a beautiful backhand shot down the tramlines.

Neither player wasted any energy. In fact, they took so much time in going for the shots, especially in the case of Yun-pui, that the delay was often fatal. It left no margin for a clean stroke, and gave the other side time to recover any lost position.

Second Set

YUN-PU opened in the second set as though the match were only going to three sets. He led 3-1 before Wai-pui rallied with great determination and control took the 5th game after deuce had been called twice. Errors were at this period mostly into the net, but it must be said that they were forced errors.

Wai-pui drew up to 3-all, and though Yun-pui went into the lead again at 4-3, he drew level again at 4-all with a love-game on Yun-pui's service.

The younger brother lost the ninth game through his eagerness in advancing to the net, but should have drawn level in the next when he led 40-15 on his own service. Deuce, however, was called only once before Wai-pui went out winner at 6-4.

Restrained Tactics

THE restrained tactics that had been noticeable throughout were more prominent in the third set. Yun-pui apparently was reserving himself for a long struggle, and even the baseline shots had lost some of their "zip."

He took a 2-0 lead, but the third game was a long affair. Deuce was called no less than seven times be-

One Set To-day To Decide Singles Final!

IT IS LEARNED that the unfinished Singles Tennis final between the Tsui brothers will be concluded to-day.

Only one set will be played this afternoon. This, of course, is the fifth set, they each having won two yesterday.

The set will be played following the Club Singles Final between M. Pugh and C. H. R. Oxlade.

Major Baseball

St Louis Nose Out Athletics In 14 Innings

NEW YORK, May 7 (UP).—Feature of to-day's Major Baseball programme was the 14th innings victory of St. Louis Browns 6-5 over Philadelphia Athletics in the American circuit.

Scores were:

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
Philadelphia	R	H	E
Battery: Knott, Ferriek, Hayes.	5	12	1
St. Louis	6	14	0
Battery: Allen, Galloway, Trotter, Swift, Grace.	0	14	0
Fourteen innings were played.			
NEW YORK			
Battery: Russo and Boas, Dickey.	7	15	2
Cleveland	5	10	1
Battery: Milnar, Brown, Hemaley.	0	10	1
WASHINGTON			
Battery: Hudson and Ferrell.	4	10	0
Detroit	2	6	1
Battery: Rowe, Trout, Giebel and Tebbets.	0	6	1
BOSTON			
Battery: Wagner and Fylik.	4	9	3
CHICAGO			
Battery: Ridgway and Fresh.	3	7	0

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Pittsburgh	R	H	E
Battery: Lananhan, Lanning, Lopez.	6	10	1
Boston	7	11	0
Battery: Tobin, Berres.	0	11	0
St. Louis	R	H	E
Battery: Warneke, Shoun, Hutchinson, Lanier, McGee and Copper.	3	5	1
Brooklyn	R	H	E
Battery: Hugel, Brown and Owens.	4	7	1
Chicago	R	H	E
Battery: Lee and McCullough.	11	18	1
Philadelphia	R	H	E
Battery: Cronin, Johnson, Horst, Podgajny and Warren.	2	5	3
Cincinnati	R	H	E
Battery: Walters and Lombardi.	1	5	1
New York	R	H	E
Battery: Schumacher and Manning.	0	7	0

Tennis

Former K.C.C. Player Beats Malayan Champion

Miss M. Stokes in S'pore

DIGGEST surprise of the current Singapore lawn tennis season was sprung in the Singapore Cricket Club's spring lawn tennis tournament recently, when Miss Margaret Stokes, a comparative newcomer, defeated Mrs. R. Carter, the Malayan women's lawn tennis champion, 6-3, 3-6, 6-0, in the final of the women's event.

Against such an experienced player as Mrs. Carter, Miss Stokes did well to win. She played a steady game and this proved to be the deciding factor in her favour.

Frequently double faulting, Mrs. Carter displayed poor form and often lost points through glaring mistakes. An injured thumb, which was treated during the game, might have been the cause of her disappointing display.

Mrs. Carter improved in the second set which she won rather comfortably at 6-3. With the sets level, rubber set, but Miss Stokes came through with flying colours without conceding a single game.

Miss Stokes was formerly in Hongkong and was one of the best players in the Kowloon Cricket Club. She represented the Kowloon side in the Mixed Doubles League.

S'hai Racing

Encarnacao Wins Spring Champions On Hindhead

SHANGHAI, May 7 (UP).—Riding as well as planned race as in the Autumn when he won the Champions, Charlie Encarnacao again booted in Mr. A. S. Henchman's Hindhead to win the Spring Champions at the fourth day of the Shanghai Race Club's meeting to-day.

Hindhead won by a neck from Mr. Cornell's Franklin's Silver Fox, with Sonny Gram in the saddle, half a length in front of Mr. R. O. Alkenhead's Clunie Hill, with F. Noddy up. The time 2:34.5 was fairly fast for a mile and a quarter.

Hindhead paid \$35.20 for a win and the place figures were \$14, \$32.60, \$17.20.

Nine ponies started. One of the biggest crowds on record saw the event despite the bleak skies.



DUCAI CONGRATULATIONS—Duke of Windsor, Governor of Bahamas, congratulates William Labrot, owner of Stormy Weather that won Miami-Nassau yacht race recently. Scene is at buffet supper and dance at Nassau Yacht Club.

Home Cricket Plans For The Summer

England v. Dominions Visualised

LONDON, April 30 (Reuter).—R. W. V. Robbins, the England all-rounder, has got together a Royal Air Force team which will oppose a Rest of England side if one game suggested for Whitsun week takes place.

V.R.C. Shows Profit For Past Season

The Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, was re-elected Chairman for the fifth successive year at the annual meeting of the Victoria Recreation Club yesterday.

In his review, Sir Atholl referred to the Colony's disappointment when the Manila-Hongkong swimming interport season was cancelled at the eleventh hour. Despite this, he said, the swimming season was a successful one and spoke well of the manner in which the Colony swimming championships were conducted.

Sir Atholl recalled the death of Norman Lee, and referred to it as a loss to swimming circles.

Profit Shown

Sir Atholl said he was pleased to note the club had weathered the storm of the financial year, and the profit and loss account showed a surplus of income of \$541.30.

The following committee was elected:—Messrs D. Lyon, A. A. Noronha, S. A. Rumjahn, M. B. Gutierrez, W. L. Clark, F. M. Castro, A. O. Barretto, J. H. Lawrence, D. Ribeiro, L. M. Remedios (Hon. Treasurer), L. Rosa-Pereira (Hon. Secretary).

Programme For First Inter-Hong Gala

The programme of the first inter-Hong swimming gala of the season to be held at the European Y.M.C.A. on June 11 was arranged yesterday.

Mr. C. F. Hyde was in the chair and was supported by Mr. E. W. Ralston (Secretary), Mr. Stewart (Butterfield and Swire), Miss S. Baskett (A.P.C.), Mr. W. Forsyth (Kowloon Dock), Mr. F. M. Thompson (Hongkong Bank), and Mr. G. Arnold (Standard Oil), Messrs A. F. May and R. Goldman (Y.M.C.A.).

Entries will close on May 20. Messrs Thompson and L. A. Benn (Dodwell's) will be responsible for collecting the Hongkong teams and Mr. Forsyth the Kowloon entries.

Mr. May said he would take the responsibility of fielding the Government relay team for the 200 yards relay.

A charge of \$1.50 will be made and the gala will commence at 8.30 p.m.

Mr. Stewart suggested that the inter-Hong medley relay should comprise four swimmers, the first and last covering 25 yards back-stroke and breast-stroke.

Programme

The programme will be as follows in the following order:

100 yards medley relay (teams of four, free, back, breast and side); Combined Veterans' 25 yards free-style (40 years and over);

500 yards invitation medley relay (80

Players from the Services are so often on leave in the London area, that it would not be a bad idea for a bright enthusiast to form a Services club "for the duration" with headquarters at Lords.

Teams might never be the same for two successive matches, but that would not matter when realising the good sport which would be provided.

County clubs realise that they must wait until the war is over before they can settle down to real competitive play, but that does not mean that they are idle.

Essex and Middlesex may combine for a match on August 4 and 5.

It is not unlikely that Surrey and Essex will continue this year the procedure which proved so successful last summer—the playing of one day matches on club grounds throughout the country area. So far as Essex are concerned they showed a profit of £100 last season. Not bad when remembering the worrying years Essex have had over their finances.

England v. Dominions

THE tilt of England vs. the Dominions is one which conjures up visions of brilliant cricket. It is a dream at the moment but there is no apparent reason why it should not come about.

There are enough members of the overseas armies in England at the present time and they are playing other sports.

Bradman May Play

SIR Pelham Warner has visions of Don Bradman playing in England this year. Bradman holds a commission in the Australian forces for which he is sports organiser and he would have a very warm welcome if, by any chance, he did come to this country, to look after the sporting side of Australians who are here. He would not want a great deal of persuasion, always providing he had the time, to do the pads and gloves.

In the last war Sir Pelham Warner organised England vs. Dominions matches. Things were little different then, "blitzes" to worry crowds being the exception rather than the rule, and people attended in their thousands to see the Lord's fixture which produced a four figure sum for war charities.

It is not difficult to imagine the turnstiles clicking merrily at Lords, or anywhere else available for that matter, if such a match were staged this summer with LA Don Bradman leading the Dominions.

free, 50 back, 50 breast, 50 free), Royal Scots, Middlesex, Navy, St. Paul's, 50 yards free-style, 50 yards free-style (to be decided later), Diving (teams of two, one plain and one fancy on low and high boards), Water-Pole exhibition (Y.M.C.A. v. Middlesex),

100 yards free-style mixed relay (two men, two women, 25 yards each), Novelty event (night-dress and candle race), 300 yards free-style invitation relay (teams of four, 50 yards each) Combined Hong Kong Government, Y.M.C.A. Combined Services,

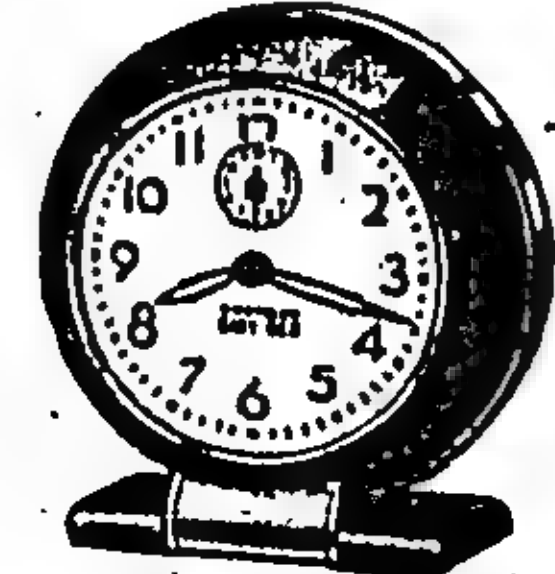
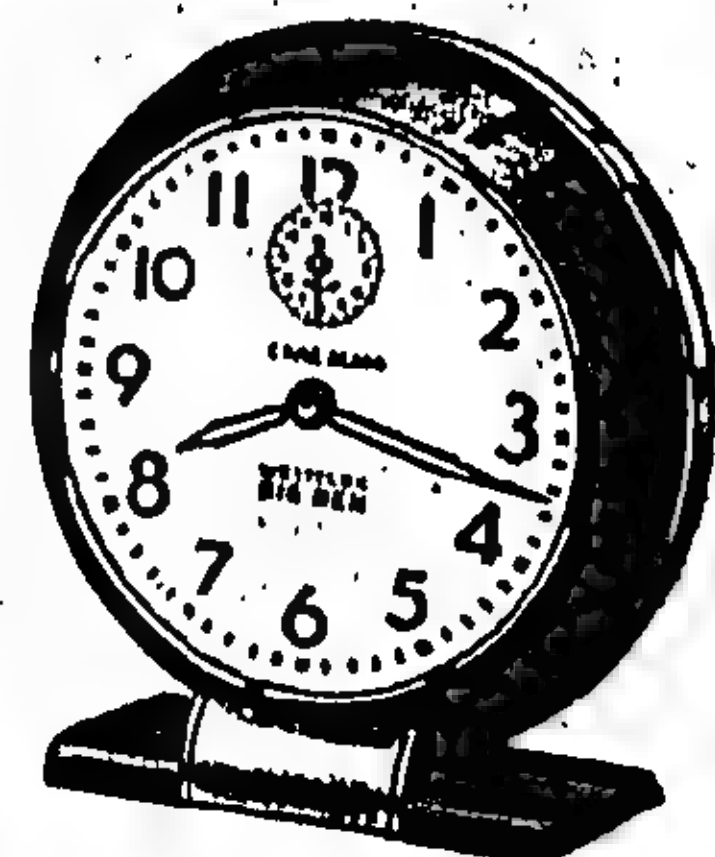
180 yards free-style relay (teams of six, 30 yards each),

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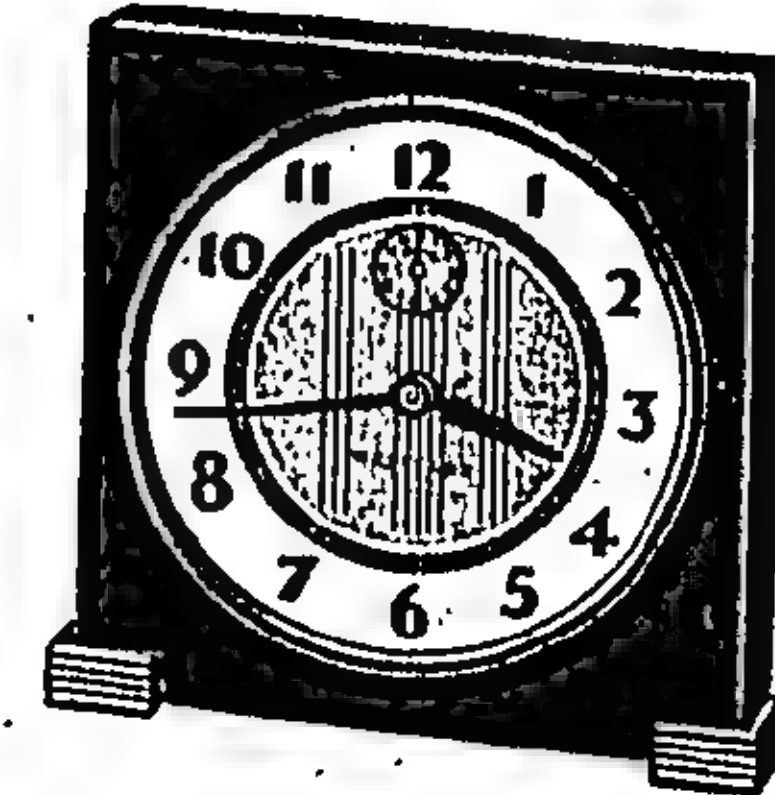
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By Order, C. B. BROWN, Secretary, Hongkong, 6th May, 1941.

Combined Military Athletics To-day

Some interesting sport should be witnessed at Shamshuipo this afternoon when a Combined Royal Artillery Athletic team will meet a combined Middlesex and 5/7th Rajput Regiment side in a series of track and field events. The R.A. team is as follows:

1 x 120 Yards Hurdles—Capt P. J. T. Skipwith (R.A.), Hav/Maj Kundan Singh (H.K.S.R.A.), Hav. Khuda Baksh (C.A.A.) and Hav. Udhay Singh (S.A.A.), 1 x 220 Yards Relay—Hav/Maj Sher Daz (R.A.), L/Nk Mohan Singh (R.A.), Hav. Mohd Ali (R.A.) and Gnr Ghulam Khada (H.K.S.R.A.), 1 x 440 Yards Relay—Gnr Roche (R.A.), Gnr Perry (R.A.), Gnr Mohd Hussain (H.K.S.R.A.) and Gnr Haidar Ali (H.K.S.R.A.), 1 x 880 Yards Relay—Capt P. J. T. Skipwith (R.A.), Hav/Maj Sher Daz (R.A.), Gnr Mohd Hussain (H.K.S.R.A.) and Gnr Haidar Ali (H.K.S.R.A.), 1 x 1,760 Yards Relay—Capt P. J. T. Skipwith (R.A.), Hav/Maj Sher Daz (R.A.), Gnr Mohd Hussain (H.K.S.R.A.) and Gnr Haidar Ali (H.K.S.R.A.), 1 x 3,520 Yards Relay—Capt P. J. T. Skipwith (R.A.), Hav/Maj Sher Daz (R.A.), Gnr Mohd Hussain (H.K.S.R.A.) and Gnr Haidar Ali (H.K.S.R.A.), 1 x 7,040 Yards Relay—Capt P. J. T. Skipwith (R.A.), Hav/Maj Sher Daz (R.A.), Gnr Mohd Hussain (H.K.S.R.A.) and Gnr Haidar Ali (H.K.S.R.A.), 1 x 14,080 Yards Relay—Capt P. J. T. 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Skipwith (R.A.), Hav/Maj Sher Daz (R.A.), Gnr Mohd Hussain (H.K.S.R.A.) and Gnr Haidar Ali (H.K.S.R.A.), 1 x 230,686,720 Yards Relay—Capt P. J. T. Skipwith (R.A.), Hav/Maj Sher Daz (R.A.), Gnr Mohd Hussain (H.K.S.R.A.) and Gnr Haidar Ali (H.K.S.R.A.), 1 x 461,373,440 Yards Relay—Capt P. J. T. Skipwith (R.A.), Hav/Maj Sher Daz (R.A.), Gnr Mohd Hussain (H.K.S.R.A.) and Gnr Haidar Ali (H.K.S.R.A.), 1 x 922,746,880 Yards Relay—Capt P. J. T. Skipwith (R.A.), Hav/Maj Sher Daz (R.A.), Gnr Mohd Hussain (H.K.S.R.A.) and Gnr Haidar Ali (H.K.S.R.A.), 1 x 1,845,493,760 Yards Relay—Capt P. J. T. Skipwith (R.A.), Hav/Maj Sher Daz (R.A.), Gnr Mohd Hussain (H.K.S.R.A.) and Gnr Haidar Ali (H.K.S.R.A.), 1 x 3,690,987,520 Yards Relay—Capt P. J. T. Skipwith (R.A.), Hav/Maj Sher Daz (R.A.), Gnr Mohd Hussain (H.K.S.R.A.) and Gnr Haidar Ali (H.K.S.R.A.), 1 x 7,381,975,040 Yards Relay—Capt P. J. T. 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NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

Australian Army Recommendation

Off-Duty Saluting May Be Abolished

The order requiring Army officers to be saluted when off-duty will probably be abolished in Australia. If the Australian Military Board adopts a recommendation made by Army officers, says a Melbourne report.

Officers consider that the strict observance of Army orders which require men to salute their officers wherever they meet them, is unnecessary on leave, especially in crowded streets, when officers are obliged to answer the salute of every private and brother-officer.

EXPECTED WELSH REVOLT

-Hiter's Error

Light on Nazi expectations of internal trouble in Britain in the event of war is thrown by the revelation of an incident which occurred at a Mayfair party some time after the Munich crisis.

Lady Rhys Williams said recently that Frau von Dirksen, wife of the then German Ambassador in London, figured in the episode.

Lady Rhys Williams, who is the wife of Lt.-Col. Sir Rhys Williams, of Pontypridd, Glamorgan, and the daughter of Mrs. Elinor Glyn, the novelist, is certain that Hitler expected a Welsh revolt if Britain went to war against him.

Describing the incident she said: "Frau von Dirksen tried to bully me into an admission that Wales was seething with disaffection and appeared to be canvassing me as a possible Fifth Columnist."

Most Undiplomatic

"She began to talk loudly in the approved Nazi fashion of the wonders of 'the Fatherland.' It was the most undiplomatic performance I have ever experienced."

"That incredible woman got me into a corner and began to question me. She knew I had been the Liberal candidate at Pontypridd and had had something to say about Welsh conditions. She tried to get me to say that the Welsh were anti-British."

"I assured her that they were nothing of the sort; that, while the Welsh had their grievances, there was no more loyal people and no finer record in the last war than that of the Glamorgan coalfields."

Refugees From Norway

Cross Atlantic in Ketch

Six men and two women who fled from Norway last June after the German invasion, arrived in New York recently aboard a 63-foot ketch, Ranko II.

The ship left Tromsø, Norway, with 23 Norwegians aboard, but 15 left the ship at Farøe Islands and St John's, Newfoundland, to join British forces. The remainder of the group spent eight months fishing off the Grand Banks.

Capt. Ottar Novik said the trip was uneventful with the exception of an attack by a German plane when the ship was one day out of Tromsø. The plane fired a few machine gun rounds, which did not damage.

Nazis Sell Old Masters To Pay Wages of Spies

ART treasures worth £2,000,000 are being smuggled from Germany to the United States. They are to be sold there to bolster up Germany's foreign exchange and pay for espionage and propaganda in America.

The Ministry of Economic Warfare, by announcing this a few weeks ago, spoiled the Nazi plan for getting rid of the pictures without publicity.

An official of the Ministry said that the paintings, which include three Rembrandts, were probably being taken via Siberia and the Pacific.

To Freeze Credits?

They would be very difficult to intercept. An American official expressed in London: "There is nothing to prevent the Germans using the

It is understood that the recommendation to relax Army discipline as regards unnecessary saluting is likely to be adopted.

If it is, the decision may influence the Navy and Air Force, which demand stricter observance of the practice than the Army.

To-day, as during the last war, officers and men on leave do not "see" one another in the streets, thus getting round Army orders except when unavoidable.

Cut Out In United States

But while this tacit understanding is one thing, to abolish saluting by Army order is another.

The move, which upsets hundreds of years of British Army tradition, follows closely on an announcement that the U.S. Army has cut out off-duty saluting on the ground that "discipline must be built on intelligence, sportsmanship, individuality and group cooperation by men in the ranks."

Magistrates Walk Out On Solicitor

Three magistrates sitting recently at Maidenhead left the bench when a solicitor declined to apologise for what they considered to be an insult.

Some weeks previously the solicitor, Mr T. A. Stuchbery, declined the invitation of the Mayor, Mr C. G. Kitley, to apologise for an allegation he made last September that the bench prejudged his application for a reduction in contributions to local charities from Sunday cinema performances in the town.

The clerk, Mr C. Thomas, said that he had advised the magistrates that they had better hear what the solicitor has to say.

Mr S. R. Thompson, the senior magistrate, remarked that the imputations made by Mr Stuchbery, had not been substantiated or withdrawn. "Until the issue was settled he was not prepared to sit."

Another member of the Bench, Mr E. F. Slade, a barrister, agreed, and added that rather than listen to Mr Stuchbery he would resign from the Bench.

Wrote to Law Society

Mr Stuchbery replied that he had invited the Bench to report the whole of the facts to the Law Society. He had received no communication from the Law Society, and he still awaited any action from the members of the Bench. In no circumstances would he deviate from that view.

Three members of the Bench then left the court—and the Mayor and two other Justices were left to deal with minor cases.

RESCUED MEETS HIS RESCUER

After Lapse Of 40 Years

During a skirmish between the British and Boers at Bloemfontein, in the South African War, just over 40 years ago, a London Fusilier was badly wounded.

Under heavy fire a man of the 7th Lancers carried the wounded Fusilier to safety and, for his bravery, was promoted to the rank of corporal on the field.

Rescued and rescuer did not meet again until a few weeks ago, when Sergeant John Graham, now of the Home Guard, was having a drink at an inn in his native Egremont, in Cumberland. There he was recognised as the ex-Lancer by the ex-Fusilier, now Pioneer Cook, a native of London, aged 63.

Their Third War

Both men fought again during the last war, and they are now giving their country useful service in a third war.

In front of an embarrassed Sergeant Graham, Pioneer Cook told the men in the inn that Sergeant Graham's deed in Africa deserved the V.C. "For the last 40 years I have hoped to meet John Graham," he added.

SECRET OLD BAILEY TRIAL

During the whole of a three-days' trial at the Old Bailey recently strict secrecy was observed.

An aged man and a youth were in the dock, and owing to the nature of the evidence it was all heard in camera. The indictment was read only after representatives of the Press and members of the public had been excluded from the court.

Police stood guard over locked doors for the three days, and relatives of one of the accused were not allowed in court.

The men were sentenced in secrecy, the usual procedure of opening the court to hear the judge pass sentence not being adopted.

It was Mr Justice Wrotlesley who had ruled that the court should remain in camera.

Bridegroom Put On Spot By I.R.A.

Owen Callaghan, 20, of Belfast, had been married only three months. He and his young wife lived happily in their new home. There seemed no cloud on their horizon.

Then came an event which at first bewildered the young bride, and then drove her into a frenzy of despair. Her husband, was kidnapped by the I.R.A.

Mrs Callaghan, refusing to believe at first that her husband's disappearance was linked with gang warfare, told the police he was missing.

Frankly she searched the city streets, dark in the black-out, for some clue.

Then they found young Callaghan—shot through the heart. He died within a few minutes of being carried into a nearby house. His enemies had put him "on the spot."

Gently the news was broken to the young widow.

A police patrol, which was searching for Callaghan, was actually within a few hundred yards of where he was killed by three bullets.

The murderer escaped in the black-out.

NEW SOVIET CHIEF OF STAFF

Russia's Chief of Staff, Mr. Marshal, has been relieved of his post and replaced by General Zhukov.



HELLO, SANDY—Sandy, mascot of the Royal Scots Fusiliers, gets a pat on the head from Mr Winston Churchill, as the Prime Minister visits the battalion somewhere in England. Mr Churchill commanded this battalion in the last World War.

Half of Britain Does Not Use Shelters

WHAT kind of shelter do you use during night raids? A Gallup survey on this question has just been taken by the British Institute of Public Opinion covering the country as a whole.

Here are the answers (in percentages):

Anderson shelter	20
Brick surface shelter	11
Underground station or basement of large building	5
Strengthened room or basement of house	10
No special protection	45

Answers showed that the lower income groups depend more on the Anderson and brick surface shelter type than the higher income group, which relies more on a strengthened room or basement in a house.

Two Per Cent. Fatalistic

People were asked to comment on their mode of sheltering. Here the percentages were:

Satisfied	35
Dissatisfied	40
Don't bother or have not had time to use a shelter yet	9
Fatalistic	2
Would make no comment	14
Of those who would give the reason for their dissatisfaction:	

14 per cent. were dissatisfied because there were no shelters available.

14 per cent. wanted better shelter than they had.

14 per cent. complained that their shelters were wet, cold or insanitary.

Cold Or Wet

Chief comments from the various types of shelter and from those who had no special shelter were:

Anderson shelter: 23 per cent. said their shelters were cold or wet.

12 per cent. wanted stronger shelters.

Brick surface shelter: 10 per cent. wanted stronger shelters.

28 per cent. said their shelters were cold or wet.

64 per cent. were dissatisfied in some way or other with their shelter.

Strengthened room or basement: 9 per cent. complained that nothing better was available.

15 per cent. wanted stronger shelters.

No special shelter: 26 per cent. complained that nothing better was available.

67 per cent. were dissatisfied.

Wrongful Arrest Damages

An Australian company director who was arrested by mistake for a "wanted" financier was awarded £110 in the King's Bench Division recently against three Scotland Yard officers.

Mr Justice Cassels said that the plaintiff's character had been vindicated and he could look his friends in the face.

"He will be able to tell the story of his stay of three days and three nights in Brixton Prison, accommodation at which money alone cannot command, but want of money often led people there!"

The plaintiff, Mr Hyman Richard Diamond, sued Det.-Insp. Arthur Reginald Minter and Det.-Sgt. George Arthur Miller and Donald Campbell, claiming damages for alleged false imprisonment.

The defence was that the police acted with reasonable and probable cause.

Within a few hours of his arrival from Australia on March 31, 1939, Mr Diamond was arrested at a London hotel. He was mistaken for John Woolcott Forbes, an Australian financier, who was "wanted" for alleged forgery.

Passport Stolen

Mr Diamond, had said in evidence that Forbes stole his passport at Bombay and returned it to him at Marseilles. He denied any association with Forbes.

The judge added that he was satisfied that each of the police officers thought he was carrying out his duty, and he hoped their careers would not be affected.

Damages were apportioned at £50 each against Insp. Minter and Sgt. Miller and £10 against Sgt. Campbell. Stay of execution was granted pending a possible appeal.

Pretty Claretta Is Mussolini's Latest

A book just published by Dr C. M. Franzero, former London correspondent of the "Giornale d'Italia" of Milan, and entitled "Inside Italy" introduces readers to Mussolini's latest favourite, Claretta Petacci.

She is 26, the daughter of a Vatican doctor and the deserted wife of an aviator who was with Marshal Balbo on the great bomber flight across the Atlantic.

Franzero says that Mussolini met her and her sister, romantically. When motorising near Ostia, he passed two pretty girls in bathing suits, who, not knowing the great man, waved for a lift to a beach.

The Duke obliged, bathed and joked with them and made a date with Claretta.

At the Treasury's expense, he built her a pretty house at Monte Carlo, which she calls "Villa Aurora."

Britons Live Healthily Though Sleep Shortened

LONDON, May 7 (UP).—Indication that pre-war Britons slept more than they really needed to was revealed in a survey here which shows that civilians and soldiers alike are living healthily on at least an hour's less slumber than they had in peace-time.

One survey reported that 45 per cent. of the women interviewed and 41 per cent. of the men were sleeping less because of the bombing raids and night alarms. They reported no ill effects.

"A very small number" of people undoubtedly do suffer from lack of sleep but they are in the minority," one doctor explained. "In general, there is no evidence that the loss of one hour a night for over a period of four months has any detrimental effect at all. The duration of sleep is largely a habit."

The same physician said that persons not spending their time in bed usually are getting more fresh air and exercise—but in any case loss of sleep in small quantities is not detrimental.

The doctor emphasised that children should get plenty of sleep. "They need eight to ten hours—but an adult can do nicely with five or six hours a night."

This M.P. Wants A Tax On Meals

Mr Arthur Woodburn, Labour M.P. for Clackmannan, wants to discourage extravagant eating in restaurants, hotels and clubs.

In Parliament a few weeks ago he asked the Chancellor of the Exchequer whether he would consider putting a tax of 6d. on meals costing over 4s. and 1s. on meals costing more than 6s.

Sir Kingsley Wood "noted" the suggestion.

Much Ado Over New Hair-do

Eyes bulged and chins dropped among the scrub-bucket crew in a Chicago office building when Sophia Sophych reported for her char duties one night recently.

Her once plain, straight, black hair was bobbed, curled and bunched high on her head. Her hands were tipped with a modish manicure. Her face was soft and freshened.

Cinderella was back at the hearth after a day at the ball.

A mother of four sons and a daughter, Sophia was given "the works" of the Beauty Parlour Trade as a feature of the 10th annual mid-west trade show.

When the last hair was brushed in a crowded auditorium, Sophia stared into a mirror. Her sharp features broke into a happy smile and the crowd applauded the transformation.

"Now I look like I did 30 years ago," she exclaimed.

AMERICANS WON'T BUY GERMAN ART TREASURES

The greatest interest has been aroused in American art circles by the disclosure that the Nazis are sending some of the most valuable paintings in the Kaiser Friedrich Museum to the United States for sale.

"It is almost incredible that the German Government should have decided to part with any pictures in this collection," declared Mr Hiram Parke, president of a leading New York firm of auctioneers, who pointed out that the Berlin museum was regarded as a national shrine.

Although the German Embassy in Washington has lost no time in issuing a denial, the truth of the report from London is not doubted.

The New York "Herald-Tribune" even states that attempts have already been made to market pictures, but that collectors refused to have anything to do with a sale which would place more dollars at the disposal of the Nazis.

The question of how the Nazis will get the picture into the United States is widely discussed, and one suggestion advanced is that they might try to ship them across the Atlantic in a submarine.

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SITWELLS GIVEN LIBEL DAMAGES

Miss Edith Sitwell, authoress, and her brothers, Osbert and Sacheverell, have each been awarded £350 damages in the libel action they brought in the King's Bench Division against the Co-operative Press Ltd, printers and publishers, and Mr Sydney R. Elliott, editor, of "Reynolds News."

They complained that a review of "Edith Sitwell's Anthology" in "Reynolds News" imputed that they had no literary ability and that their arrogance and conceit constituted their sole claim to prominence.

Mr Justice Cassels said that during 30 years more than 90 volumes had come from the pens of the Sitwells.

Of Mr Hamilton Fyfe, who, it was stated, wrote the article complained of, the judge said:

"It was stated in a letter that he had 50 years' experience. He will not be able to add to that any recollection of going into the witness-box in this action, because the defendants designedly kept him out."

Prolific In Their Work

The evidence showed, his lordship continued, that the Sitwells had been almost prolific in their literary efforts up to and including 1940. The words complained of were defamatory of all three plaintiffs.

The defendants invited their readers to believe that the realm of oblivion had thrown open her doors and dragged all three plaintiffs in; that death in the world of letters had overtaken them and that they would be remembered with no ordinary smile.

Miss Sitwell was called a snob; her poems were ridiculed and criticized as rubbish, and the defendants said that the action was a waste of time in these days.

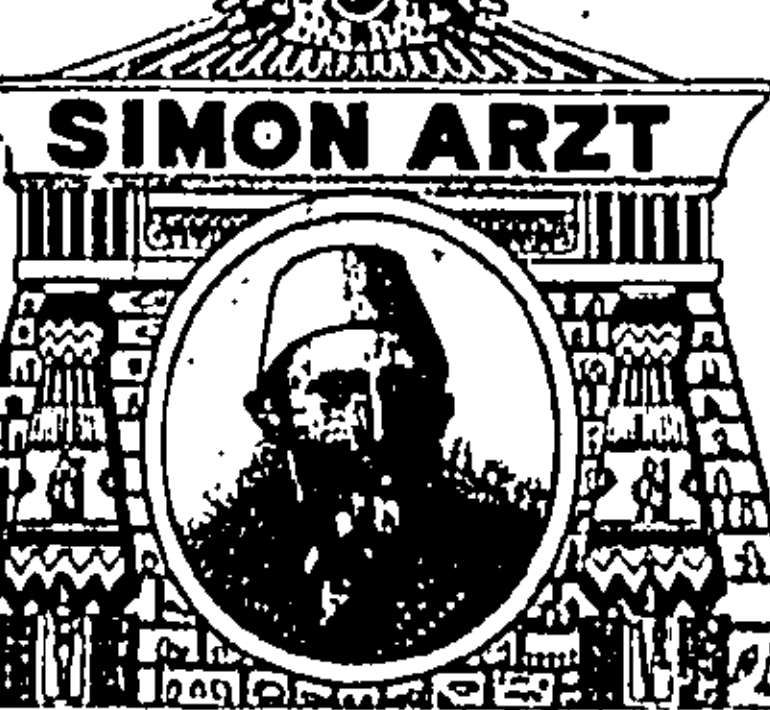
Dishonest Attacks

"The doors of the Law Courts were open," added his lordship, "and I see no reason why they should be closed to people who want to defend their professional reputation. Honest criticism of literary works is a constructive part of our reading life, and, when authors are subjected to dishonest attacks, they are entitled to redress if they seek it in a court of law."

Dutchman Attacked

A recent B.B.C. Dutch transmission included an attack against a Dutch citizen, Dr Van Dam, who, under the usual pretence of cultural co-operation, had pleaded from the German-controlled station of Hilversum for educational collaboration between Holland and Germany.

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Carol Lives Simply In Lisbon

Dr Henrique Vianna, spokesman for the Portuguese Foreign Office, said the Government has given former King Carol of Rumania and his companion, Magda Lupescu, permission to live in Portugal for some time.

Intimates of the abdicated monarch said Carol and Madame Lupescu, who fled from Spain on March 3, intended to live like "mere bourgeois on vacation in Portugal."

Earlier reports had said Carol and Madame Lupescu intended to go to the United States. In Washington doubt whether King Carol would be permitted to enter the United States was expressed.

They are living on the first floor of a small chalet in a somewhat modest residential district of Lisbon as guests of the wealthy Portuguese businessman, Augusto Lopes Joly. The house previously was occupied by the Prince of Bourbon Parma.

Solomon Had A Note For It

NEW YORK, May 7 (UP).—John Schubert, musician and violin maker, was hailed before Magistrate Charles Solomon on a disorderly conduct charge.

"How did he conduct himself," Solomon asked the policeman who had picked Schubert up in a bar.

"He was working up to a crescendo," the policeman replied, "but was slightly off key."

"Dissonance," the magistrate said, "seems to have been the keynote."

Solomon looked sternly at the musician.

"Take my advice," he said, "and stick to the bars of music. Keep away from liquor bars and avoid the bars of justice."

The magistrate thought a moment and said he wanted to "bring this case to a harmonious finale."

"Sing Sing?" A court attache suggested.

"No," Solomon said. "Let's end it on a high note with a suspended sentence."

Schubert smiled, con allegrezza, and left the courtroom prestissimo.

Children Of Internees

Nationality Poser

The question of the nationality of children born in Britain while their alien fathers are interned is raised by the "Law Times."

"Are these children—British subjects by birth?" the paper asks, "or does the fact that their father or mother, or both, at the time of their birth were interned as enemy aliens make them aliens too, notwithstanding their birth on British soil?"

"The status of internees with respect to their civil rights has repeatedly been decided during the last war and might be called settled law. The question raised here, however, still awaits an authoritative decision."

Leading text writers are quoted and, according to one rule, it appears that any person born in the British Dominion while his or her father is imprisoned or interned is an alien.

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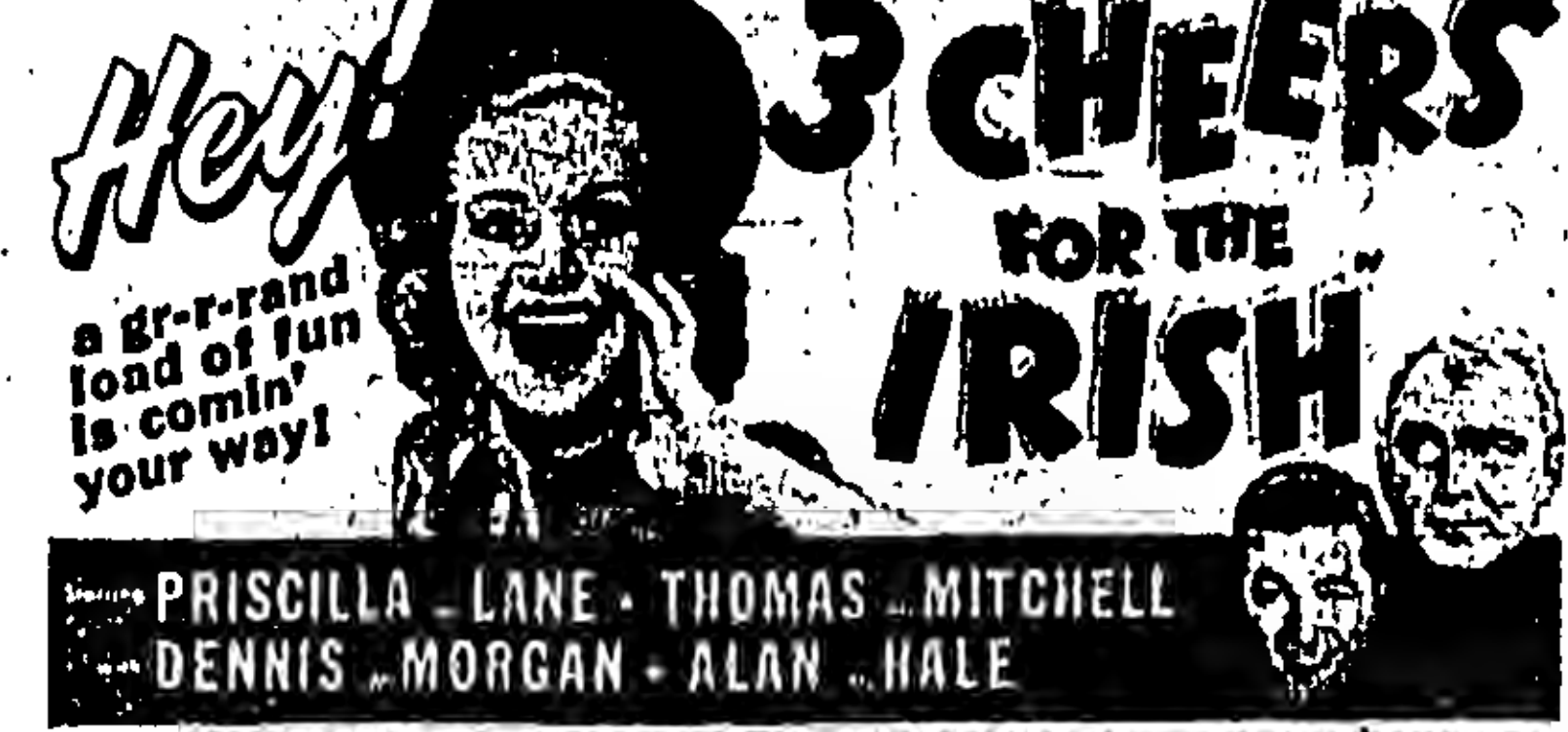
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Ginger Rogers Told To Go Home

Ginger Rogers, 29, film star, who has obtained her final divorce decree from Lew Ayres, 32, on the ground of desertion, claimed that Ayres told her: "Get out and go home to mother."

Lew Ayres and Ginger Rogers were married in 1934, but separated in 1936.

Ayres did not contest the suit.

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MR CHURCHILL ANSWERS HIS CRITICS: STINGING RETORT Receives Overwhelming Vote Of Confidence

MR WINSTON CHURCHILL YESTERDAY WOUND UP THE HOUSE OF COMMONS DEBATE ON THE CONDUCT OF THE WAR WITH A CHARACTERISTICALLY BRILLIANT ORATION, AT THE END OF WHICH HE ASKED FOR A VOTE OF CONFIDENCE AND WAS ACCORDED IT WITH AN OVERWHELMING MAJORITY.

THE PREMIER MADE STINGING REPLIES TO THE CRITICISMS OF BOTH MR LLOYD GEORGE AND MR HORE-BELISHA, DESCRIBING MR LLOYD GEORGE'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE DEBATE AS A SPEECH "WHICH I THINK THE ILLUSTRIOUS MARSHAL PETAIN MIGHT WELL HAVE ENLIVENED THE DAYS OF M. REYNAUD'S CABINET."

SAD AND SQUALID TALE OF VICHY

LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—Continuing his statement in the House of Commons to-day in the debate on the war situation, Mr Winston Churchill said:

"It would be possible to dilate at length upon the sad and squalid tale of what is going on in Vichy, but I really do not think that we should profit ourselves well if we tarried long on that painful spectacle."

Mr Churchill thanked Mr Lloyd George for the great restraint with which he spoke about a country whose relations are so highly valued by us and whose part to play in this great world conflict is of the greatest importance (Cheers).

"There are two points on which I can relieve his feelings and anxieties about Turkey. The first is about the vessels which carried the German troops through the Dardanelles to take the Greek islands. They had no right to stop them."

Mr Churchill then read the Article of the Convention dealing with the Straits and added, with reference to the merchantmen: "I believe that one of them might have been used in the

occupation of the island but there were other vessels in the possession of the Germans and Italians which could have equally been used for that purpose. This matter is a question of interpretation of the Treaty and is a matter for Turkey."

Mr Churchill referred to the remark by Mr Lloyd George about the agreement between Turkey and Iraq and said that Mr Lloyd George was evidently referring to Iran. "I am happy to be able to relieve Mr Lloyd George's anxiety. It appears that the arrangement is between Turkey and Persia and relates to measures to strengthen the Turco-Persian border which we know all about and which was prepared for some time and put into force from April, 1941."

Not Helpful Speech

"I do not think that Mr Lloyd George's speech is particularly helpful in a period of what he himself has called discouragement and disheartenment. It is not the sort of speech one would have expected from a great war leader of former days who was accustomed to brush aside despondency and push onward to a distant goal. It is a speech with which I think the illustrious Marshal Petain might well have enlivened the days of M. Reynaud's Cabinet (Laughter)."

"I am grateful to him for one note he struck, namely, that he made it clear we should close our debate by a vote of confidence. Because of the kind of speech that we heard from him, I think the Government was right to put down a vote of confidence; after our reverses and disaster."

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Deportable Aliens In America

Nazi Sailors Held

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, May 7 (Domei).—Mr Robert Jackson, Attorney General, pointing out that 6,000 deportable aliens are free in the United States, tightened the restrictions on alien seamen visiting United States ports a few hours after ordering the arrest of 160 Nazi sailors on immigration charges.

Under the old rule, alien seamen are allowed to remain on shore 60 days and leave on any vessel. However, the new rule limits the shore leave for alien seamen to the period of their ships' stay in a United States port but it is not expected to exceed 30 days.

The law also compels seamen to prove bona fide membership of the vessel crew, have passports bearing fingerprints and have registered as aliens within a year of the inspection of their ship.

DARDANELLES No Violation By German Forces

LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—The question of the Dardanelles so far has not led to any complications, said a semi-official German statement to-day, nor has there been any change relating to the Montreux Convention.

It was added that Turkey had adhered rigidly to obligations and had not allowed the passage of warships through the Straits or their use as a naval base.

Inoenu In Ankara

LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—President Inoenu of Turkey has returned to Ankara from a tour of the Western Provinces, says an Ankara dispatch quoted by the German news agency.

Lending Dollars To Britain

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, May 7 (UP).—The House Banking and Currency Committee to-day approved a Bill to forestall distress in the liquidation of British holdings by lending dollars against assets.

Experts said that it would give the Government authority to acquire control of British assets in Latin America, it necessary, which Mr Jesse Jones, head of the Export-Import Bank, estimated to be \$4,000,000,000.

EIREAN BUDGET Highest In History Of State

DUBLIN, May 7 (Reuter).—Introducing Eire's £40,626,000 Budget in the Dail to-day, the Finance Minister said he proposed to raise income tax from 6s. 6d. to 7s. 6d. in the pound.

The gap between revenue and expenditure was £7,765,000 and there was no chance of bridging it by normal means.

He also announced a tax of 50 per cent on profits from September 1, 1939, and an increased duty of 5s. 6d. per pound on tobacco and double duty on matches.

Also, there would be increased duty on imported newspapers and all internal newspapers would be taxed.

Other increases were on postage rates for letters and post-cards and on petrol and cider, but there was no increase in beer and spirit duties and no purchase tax.

The sum for supply services and the central fund to be met he estimated at £40,626,000, which is the highest in the history of the state.

When the capital sums had been deducted, the net expenditure was £39,448,000.

Observers Believe Russia May Join the Axis Powers

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, May 7 (Domei).—Wide speculation has been aroused in political circles here by the report that M. Josef Stalin has become the Chairman of the Council of People's Commissars of the Soviet Government. Many observers believe that M. Stalin's appointment may foreshadow an important volte-face in Russia's foreign policy, pointing out that the Soviet Union is no longer able to remain neutral as before in the face of the European war rapidly spreading to the Near and Middle East.

U. S. Move To Seize 100 Axis Ships

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, May 7 (UP).—The House to-day approved by a vote of 266 to 120, a Bill empowering the President to take over more than 100 merchant ships owned by Germany and Italy and the conquered nations.

The Bill was sent to the Senate. It provides that compensation for many of the vessels be applied to the war debts.

More Air Bases

WASHINGTON, May 7 (UP).—The House Naval Affairs Committee to-day approved an authorization bill for eleven major naval lighter-than-air aircraft bases and auxiliary facilities totalling \$57,750,000.

Senators Declare U.S. Is Heading for War

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, May 7 (UP).—The convoy issue again exploded in Congress to-day as a war jittery capital awaited the President's next step in the "Battle of the Atlantic."

Non-interventionists struck furiously in the meantime at Secretary Stimson's speech and were especially indignant over the fact that the President sanctioned it.

Senator Gerald Nye declared that Col Stimson's address was "just part of a blitzkrieg to move the people into convulsions and war."

Anti-convoyists headed by Senator Charles Tobey will centre their next struggle to an attempt to write an anti-convoy ban into the ship bill which the House passed.

Tobey said that he would ask for a

roll call and put every Senator on record.

"I measure my words when I say that the vote will be a war vote."

As the House approved the Bill it gives the President power to requisition and pay for under the Lend and Lease Bill all foreign owned vessels now tied up in American ports.

He may use these ships either here or make them available to other countries.

The only amendment the House accepted was one which would credit to the war debts owed to the United States, the amount paid for the ships

rolled in and put every Senator on record.

He also surmised that Russia's participation in the war on the Nazi side is drawing near and in such an eventuality Russia will come into Iran and Turkey.

Nazis Lose Seven More Warplanes

Dog-Fights Over The English Coast

LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—The number of enemy aircraft destroyed in daylight to-day was brought up to seven when R.A.F. fighters shot down a bomber off the north-east coast this evening.

There was considerable enemy activity off the south-east coast to-day and in a series of dog-fights, British fighters shot down six enemy fighters and severely damaged a number of others.

One Spitfire squadron got four of them in three different fights off the Kentish coast. Two British fighters are missing.

During daylight yesterday, four enemy fighters were reported over by our fighters and two by A.A. fire. Five British fighters are missing from yesterday's operations, but three pilots are safe.

West Town
LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—German raiders were reported over widespread parts of Britain after dark to-night, including a West England town.

It is learned that during daylight to-day, a total of eight German planes were destroyed.

Merseyside Raid
LONDON, May 7 (UP).—Merseyside was bombed for the seventh consecutive night. The raiders were not numerous and were met with heavy gunfire.

A floating mine was reported in lat. 22 degrees 10' north, long. 114 degrees 05' east (approx.) two miles SSW from Ha Mei Tsui (Lamma Island) at 6 a.m. yesterday.

Nasty Shock For Nazis

When the R.A.F. went to bomb a fleet of Nazi submarines in hiding up against some warehouses on the Bergen waterfront, the planes also set fire to the warehouses which contained large quantities of cod-liver oil already seized by the Nazis. Thanks to the R.A.F. this oil never reached Germany.



British Success At Tobruk

Enemy Posts Attacked

CAIRO, May 7 (Reuter).—British troops successfully attacked forward posts around Tobruk on Monday night, says a communique. They inflicted casualties and took a number of prisoners.

After failing last week to take Tobruk by assault, enemy pressure appears to be easing, it is learned here. Dive-bombing which reached a climax between May 1 and 3 has now slackened.

The enemy are trying to hold a shallow dent in the south-west corner of Tobruk. They are in an uncomfortable position, frequently counter-attacked by the British forces and often shelled.

Both sides are suffering from the stifling sandstorm which is blowing all along the coast and again made communication and observation, difficult on Tuesday.

In Sollum Area

In the Sollum area, British mechanised forces continue vigorous patrolling activities. A British mobile unit which swept round behind Bardia and Capuzzo on May 3 and 4 has caused the Germans to send patrols into the desert far south of Sollum to prevent a repetition of the exploit.

The Germans are being supplied to some extent by Junkers-52 troop-carrying planes but many of these have already been destroyed by the R.A.F. and their journeys are becoming hazardous as reinforcements to the R.A.F. arrive in the Western Desert.

The R.A.F. raided the aerodromes of Benina, Derna, Gazala, Bardia and Berva during Monday night, causing

Communications Between Syria and Turkey Cut

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ISTANBUL, May 7 (UP).—Telephone and telegraphic communications between Turkey and Syria have been cut off for the past two days.

Travellers from Syria report that there is heavy unrest among the Arabs since the start of the British-Iraq conflict and that a number of students have been arrested and wounded for allegedly instigating and leading riots.

According to the same sources, the students are of the opinion that France no longer has the right to govern Syria in so far as France has left the League of Nations and therefore has no right to maintain the mandate.

Palestine Clash?

ROME, May 7 (UP).—A Stefani News Agency report from Tehran quotes a Palestine dispatch that communications between Arabs and south Palestine were seriously menaced after the clash between rebels and British troops.

A dispatch from Ankara states that the Iraq Consul General at Istanbul has issued an appeal to Arabs and Moslems to unite in a "holy war" against the British for independence and liberty in the Arab world. The appeal was signed by nineteen prominent Moslem scientists.

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H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

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H.K. Banks	131 1/2 n.
H.K. Banks 2	71 1/2 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K.)	78 n.
Chartered	8 1/2 n.
Morantville & B. E.	22 1/2 n.
Morantville C. E.	12 1/2 n.
East Asia	70 n.
INSURANCE	
Cantons	222 1/2 n.
Union	420 n.
China Underwriters	1 n.
H.K. Fire & M.	176 n.
SHIPPING	
Douglas	128 n.
Steamboats	8 1/2 n.
Indo-China P.	10 n.
Indo-China D.	60 n.
Shell (Bentley)	40 7/8 n.
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Wharves	85 1/2 n.
Docks	15 n.
Providents	5 n.
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MINING	
Kailan s/-	12 1/2 n.
Kuangs	12 n.
H.K. Mines	1 1/4 n.
LANDS	
Hotels	2.80 b.
Lands	31 n.
Lands 4% Debentures	97 1/2 n.
S'hai Lands Sh.	12.80 n.
Humphreys	6.70 n.
H.K. Realities	2.80 n.
Chinese Estates	99 n.
UTILITIES	
Trans	16 n.
Peak Tram (old)	7 1/2 n.
Peak Tram (new)	3 1/2 n.
Star Ferries	16 1/4 n.
Y. Ferries	23 1/2 n.
China Lights (old)	5.50 n.
China Lights (new)	1 1/4 n.
H.K. Electric (old) x. rts.	24 n.
H.K. Electric (new)	23 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric Rts	1 1/4 n.
Macao Electric	17 1/2 n.
Sinacian Lights	12 n.
Telephones (old)	22 1/2 n.
Telephones (new)	0 1/4 n.
INDUSTRIALS	
Cald. Macg. (Ord.)	30 n.
Cald. Macg. (Pref.)	25 n.
Canton Ice	1 n.
Cements	13 n.
H.K. Ropes	6.10 n.
STORES &c.	
Dairy Farms	17 1/2 n.
Watsons	9 1/2 n.
Lane Crowfords	7 1/2 n.
Sinceres	2.15 n.
Wing On (H.K.)	39 n.
Powell Ltd.	1 1/4 n.
COTTON MILLS	
Ewo Sh.	37 1/2 n.
S'hai Cotton Sh.	200 n.
MISG.	
H.K. Govt 4 1/2	97 n.
H.K. Govt 3 1/2 (1934)	94 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt 3 1/2 (1940)	94 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G.Bds.	28 n.
Entertainments	60 1/2 n.
Constructions (old)	100 n.
Constructions (new)	100 n.
Vibro Piling	7.20 n.
Marmans Inv. (Lon.)	8 1/2 n.
Marmans Inv. (H.K.)	2 1/2 n.

Plugging Up Leaks From U. S. To Axis

WASHINGTON, May 7 (Reuter).—By an executive order President Roosevelt has subjected the transit of goods through the United States to the Export Licence Control system. This action is interpreted as a further step in plugging the leakage of supplies to Axis or pro-Axis nations and may to some extent restrict the movements of goods from South America to United States ports for transshipment to other countries, including Japan.

Woman In Crew's Quarters

Arrested in the crew's quarters of a ship in the harbour yesterday, Lam Yee-jan, 30, detainee, was fined \$20 on three weeks' hard labour when she appeared before C.M. C. S. at the Marine Court this morning. She admitted the charge of boarding the ship without permission. Subsequent hearing postponed.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

Notice to Shareholders.

The Seventy-second Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Wednesday, the 21st May, 1941, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1940.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 7th May to the 21st May, 1941, both days inclusive.

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Vichy-Nazi Accord Closes

Daily Payments Cut

VICHY, May 7 (Reuter).—An agreement between Admiral Darlan, the Vichy Foreign Minister, and Herr Otto Abetz, the Nazi Ambassador to France, is announced, providing for modification of restrictions on the demarcation line between the Occupied and Unoccupied zones in France and a reduction in the costs of the German Army of occupation.

With regard to the occupation costs, it is envisaged that as a first step France's daily payments will be reduced by 25 per cent, from 400,000,000 francs to 300,000,000. Other questions have still to be decided.

Workers' Feelings

ZURICH, May 7 (Reuter).—"French workers like the great mass of the French public inwardly reject the policy of rapprochement with Germany, although some Trade Union leaders support Laval," states the newspaper "Volksrecht" describing conditions in France.

The fact that almost every street corner is a De Gaulle sign (a big "V" surrounding the Cross of Lorraine) is scrawled on houses speaks for itself, as does the habitual disinclination of the people to telephone at mid-day or during the evening in order not to disturb listeners to British broadcasts in France.

German Traffic

Marseilles dislikes the spectacle of German wagons bringing coal for German steamers operating under the German flag in coastal traffic in French territorial waters, chiefly between Marseilles and Barcelona. Ill-feeling is still more marked in occupied France than elsewhere. Reliable testimony from two different towns in northern France confirms American press reports that the population greet jubilantly the visits of the R.A.F. planes, despite the suffering caused by the bombardments.

The Agreement

VICHY, May 7 (Reuter).—An agreement has been reached between Admiral Darlan and the German authorities in Paris. It is announced here to-night.

It provides that the demarcation line between Occupied and Unoccupied France will be open in general for passage of goods and securities. Persons will be allowed to travel between the two zones in the event of serious illness or death of a relative.

Free correspondence by plain post-cards will be allowed. Permission to cross the line will be granted to members of the Army and Air Force on the same conditions as already in force for sailors.

Petain's Journey

LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—Marshal Petain has left his estate near Laval by special train to meet Admiral Darlan, according to the Paris radio.

Laval Pipes Down

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". VICHY, May 7 (UP).—The demands of M. Laval are believed to be seriously reduced and now include merely a voice in the direction of national affairs as Minister of Interior, although there are still unconfirmed reports from Paris that M. Laval demands the transfer of powers from Marshal Petain to enable Laval to assume the full Premiership. If M. Laval returns to the Government, there is likely to be a general shake-up to permit the re-installation of M. Baudouin as the virtual economic dictator. It is emphasised that M. Laval principally objects to Admiral Darlan's hastily meeting with Marshal Petain concerning French domestic affairs because the technical negotiations will begin only after the preparatory settlement of the Laval affair.

Donations To Bomber Fund

A total of \$1,070,620.40 was reached yesterday by the War Fund inaugurated by the S. C. M. Post, Ltd. with the following donations:

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Joan and the Varga Green Club (monthlv donation)	25
Lewiston Bowling Green Club	25

Navy To Take Over Coast Guard

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". WASHINGTON, May 7 (UP).—The Secretary of the Navy, Colonel Frank Knox to-day announced that all seagoing activities of the Coast Guard are being transferred to the Navy.

This involves the transfer of all the larger craft but not aeroplanes. The ships will be manned by the Coast Guard under navy command.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

BERLIN, May 7 (UP).—The Free China Ambassador, Dr. Chen Chieh, returned to Berlin from Chungking to-day. The relations between Germany and China are normal.

Churchill and Hore-Belisha Clash In Lively War Debate

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, May 7 (UP).—The Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill had a clash with Mr. Hore-Belisha during the war debate to-day which threw the House of Commons into turmoil. Mr. Churchill, referring to Mr. Hore-Belisha's criticism of the shortage of tanks yesterday, taunted Mr. Hore-Belisha for being very farseeing now that he is no longer a member of the Government.

Mr. Hore-Belisha sprang to his feet and shouted, "I do not know by what right the Honourable Gentleman (Churchill) is indulging in these heavy recriminations. It is quite unworthy of him."

The remainder of his remarks was drowned out by shouts from the other members.

Later, Mr. Churchill resumed his remarks stressing that the tank output had "since been greatly increased."

Turning to Libya, the Premier revealed that the German armed force which attacked there was not much larger than the British, "but tactical mistakes were committed and our armoured force became disorganised."

Confident of Success

Mr. Churchill declared that the "loss of the Nile Valley, the Suez Canal and Malta would augment the heaviest blows we could sustain."

"We are determined to fight for them with all the resources of the British Empire and we have every reason to believe that we shall be successful."

Turning to the Battle of the Atlantic, he asserted, "We need a great deal more help from the United States and expect that we shall get it."

Mr. Lloyd George warned that Japan would seize the first opportunity to wrest control of the Pacific from the United States. Citing Mr. Eden's statement that Turkey was loyal to Britain, Mr. Lloyd George charged that the Turkish let German troops pass through the Bosphorus and the Dardanelles to seize the Aegean Islands.

Sino-Nippon Peace Moves Worry Honda

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SHANGHAI, May 8 (Domei).—"I am going to Tokyo now on a very important mission," Dr. Kumataro Honda, Japanese Ambassador to Nanking, told the Press at the Astor Hotel on Wednesday afternoon upon his arrival here from Nanking.

"It is our established policy to strengthen the National Government but I think it necessary at the present stage to promote and realise this policy more effectively. As a complete agreement of views has been reached on this matter with military authorities on the spot I want to consult the Foreign Minister, Mr. Matsuo, and other authorities in Tokyo regarding concrete measures to be taken in China," the Ambassador declared.

Obstructing Policy

"I would like to draw particular attention to the so-called demarches toward Chungking in connection with the peace problem. If such demarches are actually in progress, they are nothing but an obstruction to Japan's national policy. Experiences in the last World War showed that such activities only serve to prolong war."

"General peace is undoubtedly desirable but this will not contradict the National Government."

Police Club Burglar Caught

Lam Kwong, alias Lam Sang, 30, unemployed, was charged before Mr. H. C. Macnamara at Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning with larceny from the Police Club Pavilion, Boundary Street, of (a) four bottles of whisky and 3,500 cigarettes, on February 22, and (b) one bottle of whisky, two boxes of cigarettes and 1,110 cigarettes, on April 24, and (c) three tins of tennis balls, 18 tins of tomato juice and nine pairs of trousers on May 7. Defendant was further charged with breach of the Deportation Order.

Sgt MacPherson said that in all the larceny cases Defendant broke into the club by removing a window. No particular precautions were taken by the Authorities after the first two thefts. Defendant was evidently a clever burglar for he left no finger prints on the shelves where he stole the things from.

Acting on information the Police raided No. 320 Lalehikok Road where Defendant was arrested. Part of the stolen property was recovered from that house.

On the first three charges Defendant was sentenced to 18 weeks' hard labour and on the fourth count to four months, the sentences to run consecutively.

BELGIAN COAL MINERS STRIKE

LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—A strike has broken out in the Belgian coal mines, according to information from Brussels reaching the Free Belgian news agency. Belgian miners, who have refused to join the only Union open to them, stopped work a week ago and are being fined two marks for each day they remain on strike.

U.S. Navy Ready For Action, Says Knox

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, May 7 (UP).—When asked specifically to-day if the U.S. navy could handle the job that Colonel Stimson had suggested, Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy declared: "The fleet is always ready and is more ready now than ever before."

The Capital is embroiled in a crackling dispute over the sensational summons by Colonel Stimson for the all-out use of the navy.

Secretary Knox is scheduled to speak to-night and it is generally expected that he will go as far as Secretary Stimson, perhaps further. Colonel Knox to-day said that Secretary Stimson's address was a forthright, courageous and high-spirited utterance.

Hints Axis Challenge

ROME, May 7 (UP).—Signor Giovanni Ansaldo, writing in Count Ciano's "L'Espresso" to-day hints that Germany is ready to challenge United States domination of the Panama Canal by saying, "Germany has the status of the Suez, but desired to at least maintain control of the Rhine and Danube system in order to utilise her vital space in central and southeastern Europe. The Axis powers are unwilling to even allow Germany even this sphere of interest."

"To-day, the question must be solved by force and these canals which might have been triumph roads of western civilization will become roads of war and death."

Rome's Threat

ROME, May 7 (UP).—Radio Rome to-night announced that United States ships entering the Axis blockade zones will be sunk, adding: "We solemnly await Roosevelt's war for which the Axis and Japan are prepared."

First Quarter Figures

WASHINGTON, May 7 (Reuter).—"Only eight out of 205 ships that left American ports with supplies for Britain were sunk in the first three months of this year," declared Senator Arthur Vandenberg before the Senate Committee.

Senator Vandenberg said that the Chairman of the U.S. Maritime Commission gave him these figures:

Red Cross Ships

LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—The headquarters of the American Red Cross has announced that out of 200 ships on which supplies have been sent to Britain, only 11 have been lost.

However, the cargoes on those 11 ships amounted to nearly a tenth of the supplies sent.

LETTERS

Civil Servants And The Bomber Fund

The Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir,—Mostly everybody these days are tapping their brainboxes in the hope of devising ways and means of raising money for the Bomber Fund. May I add a suggestion? Government Officials whom are generally paid high incomes should waive their Home Leave allowances and contribute such to the greater cause. After all, they don't nowadays go back home but to other lands for their vacation. It is strange that while their "home" people are suffering terribly at the battlefields, they have the heart to take vacations and "home" leaves. Even should their health demand them to go on furlough could they not take shorter vacations and donate a part of it instead of letting local tax payers already heavily burdened to devise means of raising funds?

JOSEPH A. GUTIERREZ.

Stranded Germans Rounded Up

NEW YORK, May 7 (Reuter).—Over 100 German seamen, stranded since the outbreak of war, have been rounded up by the New York Police and charged with over-staying their leave in the United States. It is expected that they will be interned.

Similar roundups are believed to be proceeding in other American ports.

Britain Calls Up More Men

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". LONDON, May 7 (UP).—It is officially announced that men of 39 and 40 years of age will register for military service on May 17 and 31 respectively.

SHUIKWAN, May 8 (Central News).—The Observatory of the National Chungshan University is organising a party to proceed to north Fukien to observe the total solar eclipse which will occur around noon on September 21 this year, the first total solar eclipse visible in populous regions in China for four hundred years.

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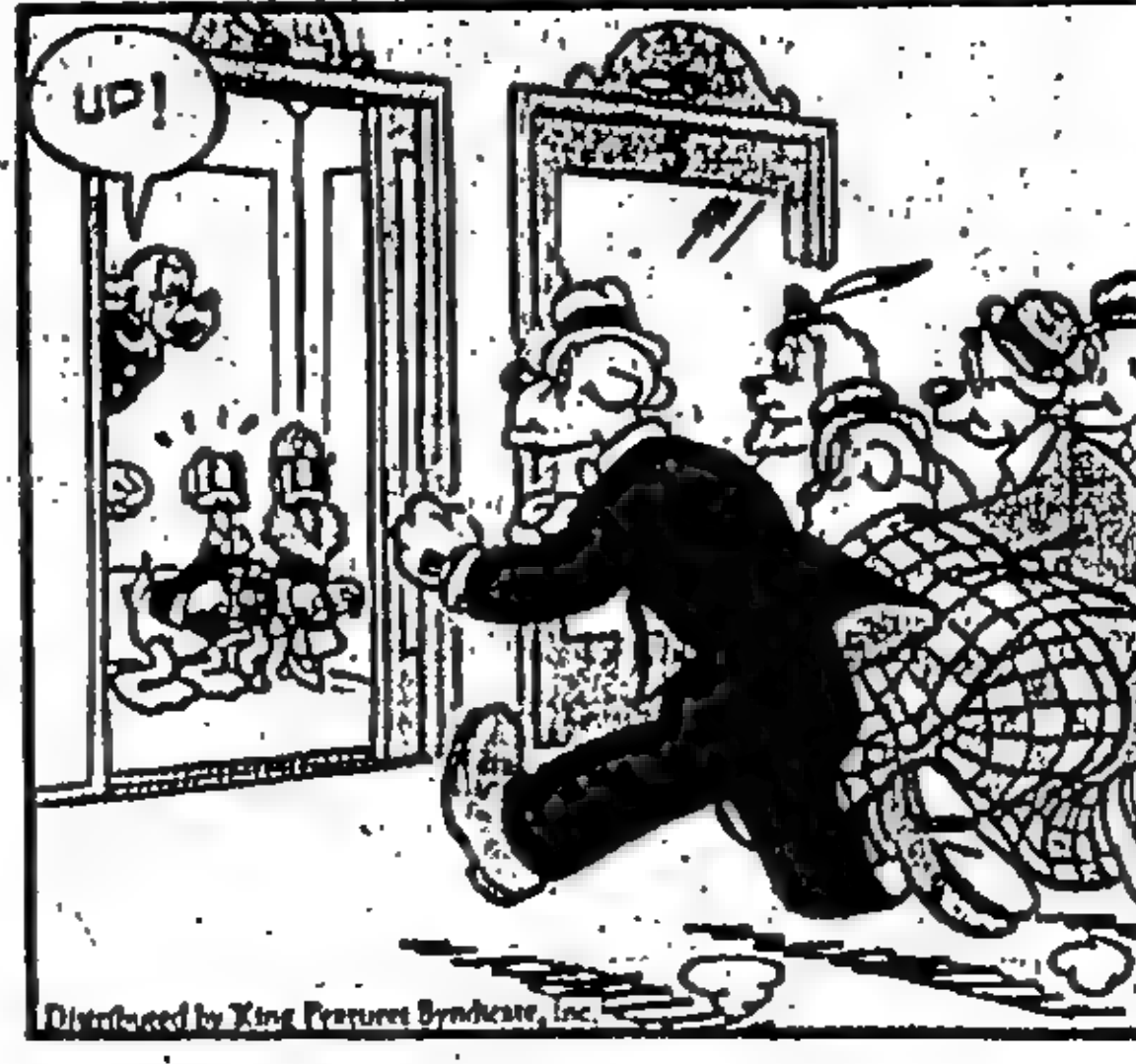
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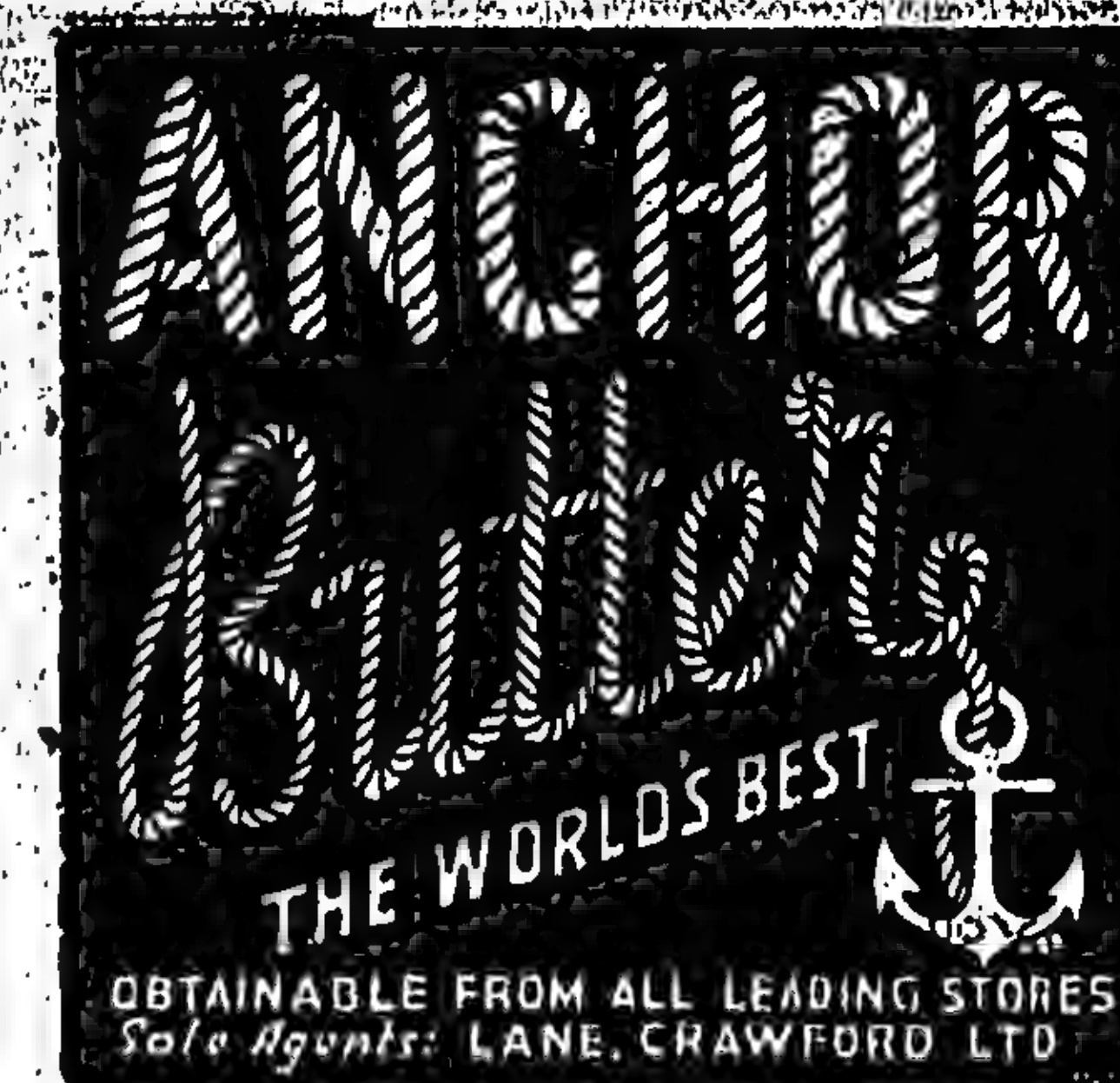
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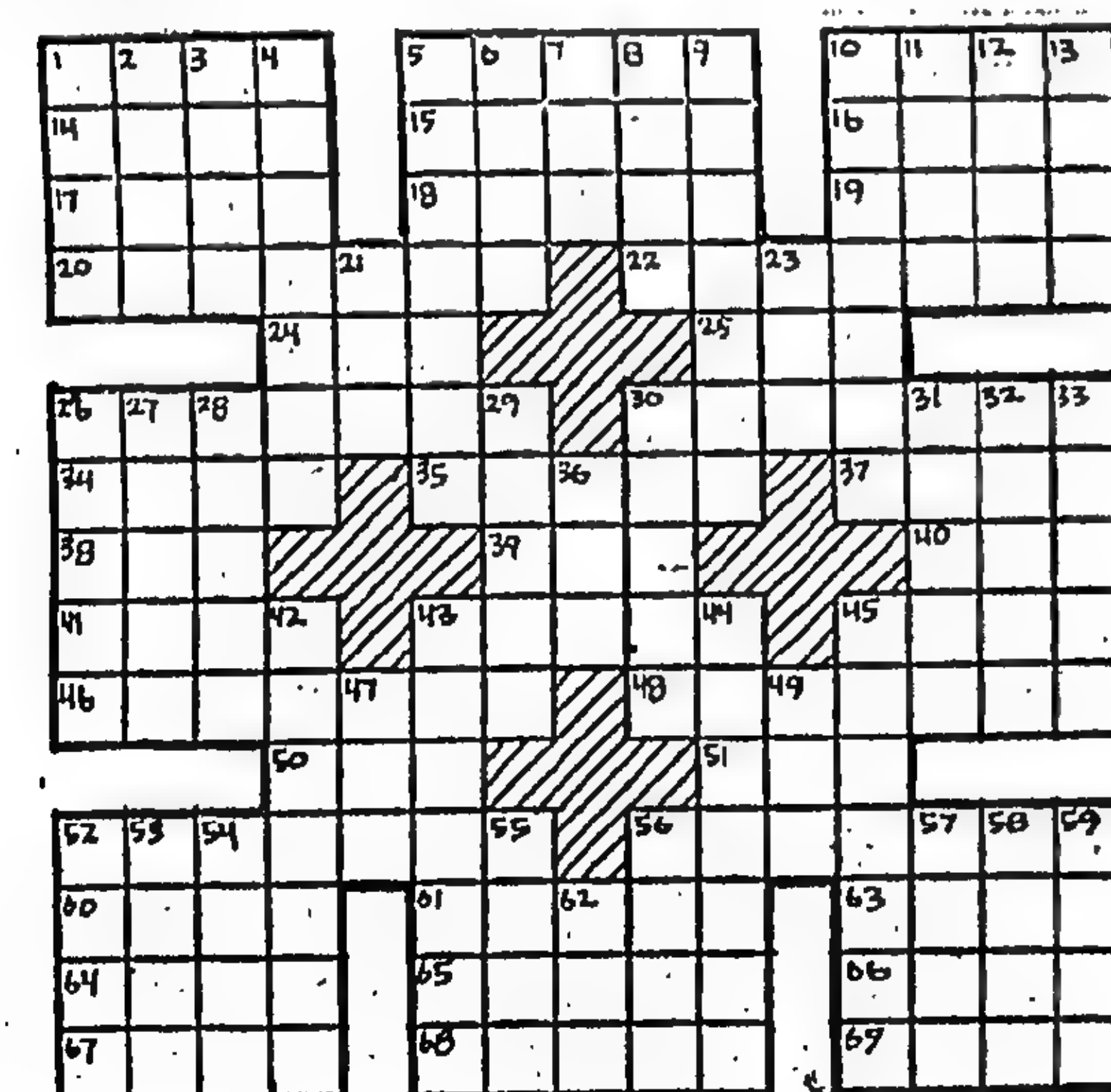
Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS
1-Corded fabric
2-Get for certain day
3-Head covering
4-Pointed arch
5-New York canal
6-Powder
7-Small fish
8-Noise in chest
9-Square
10-Interfered
11-Individuality
12-Obesity
13-Embodiment
14-Repeat
15-Wall
16-Lack of hair
17-Hereditary line
18-Of great age
19-Aeriform liquid
20-Projecting label
21-Reward of merit
22-Poison
23-Affair
24-Coming
25-Defeated in card game
26-Transgression
27-Worthless dog
28-Loyal
29-Month
30-Premium for exchange
31-Motile
32-Hub of wheel
33-Wise man
34-Jocular mode

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE
1-PEARL
2-ALAME
3-EL PARADISE
4-ALBINO
5-OBESITY
6-EMBODIMENT
7-CLARINET
8-REPEAT
9-WALL
10-LOCK OF HAIR
11-HEREDITARY LINE
12-OF GREAT AGE
13-AERIFORM LIQUID
14-PROJECTING LABEL
15-REWARD OF MERIT
16-POISON
17-AFFAIR
18-COMING
19-DEFEATED IN CARD GAME
20-TRANSGRESSION
21-WORTHLESS DOG
22-LYAL
23-MONTH
24-PREMIUM FOR EXCHANGE
25-MOTILE
26-HUB OF WHEEL
27-WISE MAN
28-JOCULAR MODE

DOWN
1-Replication
2-American educator
3-Pur-bearing skin
4-Hide
5-Gambol
6-European mountains
7-Shooting match
8-Dutch cheese
9-Hat
10-Tenders of sheep
11-Sea in Turkey
12-Baked clay
13-Plant embryo
14-Turkish title
15-Tinged box
16-More despicable
17-Poisonous serpent
18-Holder's day
19-Immediate
20-Perence of flowers
21-Peeler
22-Implant
23-Attention
24-Diversion
25-Superiority
26-Win success
27-Instinct
28-Complete
29-Her
30-Host of players
31-Architectural
32-Aspect
33-Paradise
34-Man-eating monster
35-Commanded
36-Squal
37-Pause in music
38-Alice



The Epic of the "51st" In the Battle of France

By G. E. Ley Smith

The famous 51st Highland Division is ready for action again—and for revenge. Round the few hundred who escaped capture at St Valery in June last year, a new "Shock Division" has been built up, and these dour Scots now eagerly await their next meeting with the Hun—in Britain should he venture over the Channel, or elsewhere if they have to seek him.

Of all the units in the British Army, the 51st is the most feared by the Nazis. So elated was the German High Command at capturing 4,000 of them last year that they later marched them through the main cities of the Reich to parade them as evidence of German military victory.

Strange stories are told of the Battle of the Somme, and for the past few days the "Telegraph" has been able to publish an authentic account of the exploits of the valiant band of men as told by those who came back.

The Gordons were forced to abandon their last stand against the enemy on the River Bresle. Neither German artillery nor air bombardment availed to drive them back. The real reason was beyond mortal control.

5. Last Stand on the Bresle

Now comes the tragic retirement to St Valery-en-Caux.

From this point onwards, the battalion, with the rest of the 51st Division fought with astounding heroism all the way across the Rivers Bresle and Bethune to the cliff at St Valery, where they made their final stand.

Surrounded, weary from incessant fighting, their ammunition gone, and without food, they were forced to surrender.

Some of them got away to tell of their adventures.

The general movements of the battalion on its way back to St Valery is known, but countless stories of individual heroism will not be revealed until the end of the war.

What has been told shows the tremendous courage, tenacity, and iron fortitude of all the officers and men.

It was not that they were driven back. It was the old story of the Germans breaking through elsewhere and developing their favourite pincer movement round the flanks. The Division continued to elude the pincers until the configuration of the French coast near the estuary of the Seine and the destruction of the bridges over that river isolated them with only one escape—the sea.

Official statements frequently spoke of the situation at this period—as just before Dunkirk—as being confused. That was perhaps true of the position generally. But the stories of this battalion of the Gordon Highlanders and those of other units which fought in Belgium and Northern France reveal that the units of the B.E.F. conducted their withdrawals in remarkably good order considering the conditions.

Naturally, in the swiftly-moving drama, numbers of men became detached from their units, but the battalions, by the skill of their officers and the courage of the men, maintained such excellent order as to thwart the German manoeuvres.

Such was the case of this battalion right back to St Valery.

After Lt Brooke had sent the damaged carrier back for repairs on June 5, what remained of the Bren gun personnel was formed into a platoon. The single remaining carrier was used to issue fresh ammunition to the companies.

That night the battalion moved back to new positions about five miles to the southwest, the Bren gun carrier "tailing" the battalion on the march.

Throughout June 6 they fought another gallant action, holding up the German advance until night, despite the ferocious assaults the Nazis made on their positions. Just as darkness was coming down, about half-past-nine, the battalion set out on the march again.

Dive-bombers now made their first appearance. They swooped down out of the sky, attacking the convoys as they moved along the roads. Other planes flying at a low level machine-gunned the men on the ground incessantly. "B" Company was shelled continuously for a long time.

During the withdrawal all the way to St Valery it must be remembered the movements of the companies were greatly hampered by the refugees who swarmed along the roads.

On the night of June 6 the battalion crossed the Bresle at Gemaches. Once the Division gained the west side of the river the Royal Engineers blew up the bridges.

Here was an ideal place for a prolonged stand against the Germans. The Gordons held the rise on the west side of the river overlooking the countryside for miles. The Germans would have to come down the slope on the other side, cross the river and come up to their positions. As the river was not fordable, this operation was well-nigh impossible so long as the British were not driven from their

positions by artillery and air bombardment.

For two days the Gordons held the river. The Germans made repeated attacks, but were driven back. The liveliest encounters occurred in the night. Successive fruitless attacks compelled the Nazis to halt and try to dislodge the battalion with heavy artillery and mortar fire.

This proved equally ineffective, but once again the flanks to the far north and the far south gave way. To the chagrin of the troops they had to leave these strong positions and retire in the darkness.

Though in early June, the nights were pitch black. Frequently the men had to hold on to each other's bayonet scabbards so as not to lose touch. Nevertheless, they reached a wood about twenty kilometres from Dieppe on the morning of June 9 in excellent order and with few casualties.

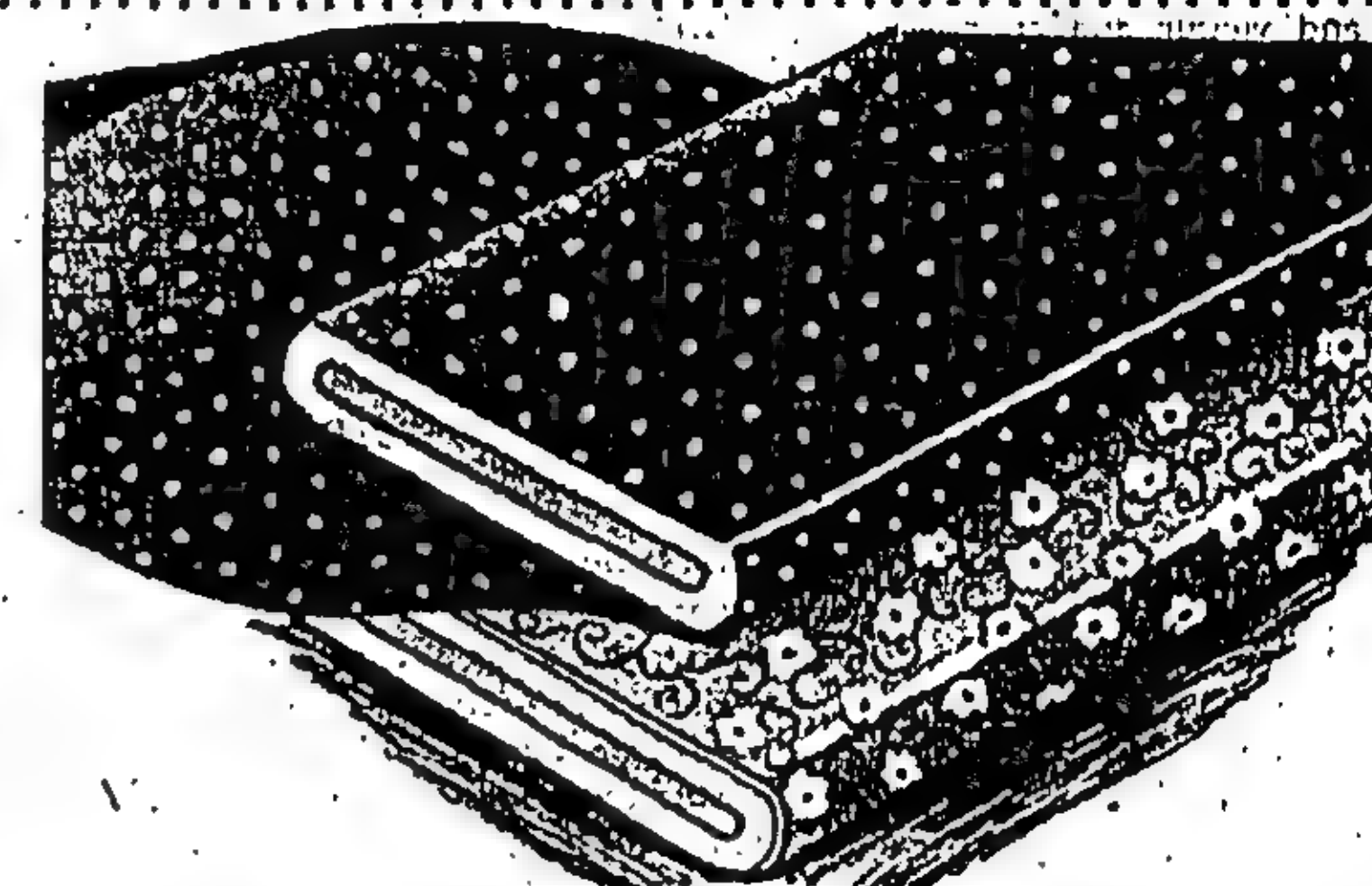
Everywhere around them were instances of unexampled heroism. A few days earlier a company of the Argylls had been cut off and given up as lost. With indomitable spirit they fought their way back through the German lines, passing through the Black Watch, who kept up a screening fire. The Argylls rejoined their comrades during the day the Gordons fought in front of the wood near Dieppe.

Hordes of German bombers passed overhead on their way to and from the port. One day they saw over fifty German planes carrying parachute troops, who were dropped far behind the lines. Five of the paratroopers, however, were dropped too soon and came down among the Black Watch, who quickly disposed of them.

Night time brought another of those long marches. On the morning of June 10 they reached an orchard and farmhouse and stayed there all day. Both "C" and "D" Companies were in contact with the Germans. Then at night the battalion retired to the neighbourhood of St Valery.

For a week they had been marching and fighting with practically no sleep. Only by their unequalled fighting spirit were they able to keep going. The shelling had been merciless. German motorised units had harried them mile by mile. Overhead bombers had launched attack after attack. Every kilometre the roads had become more congested with refugees and struggling French troops.

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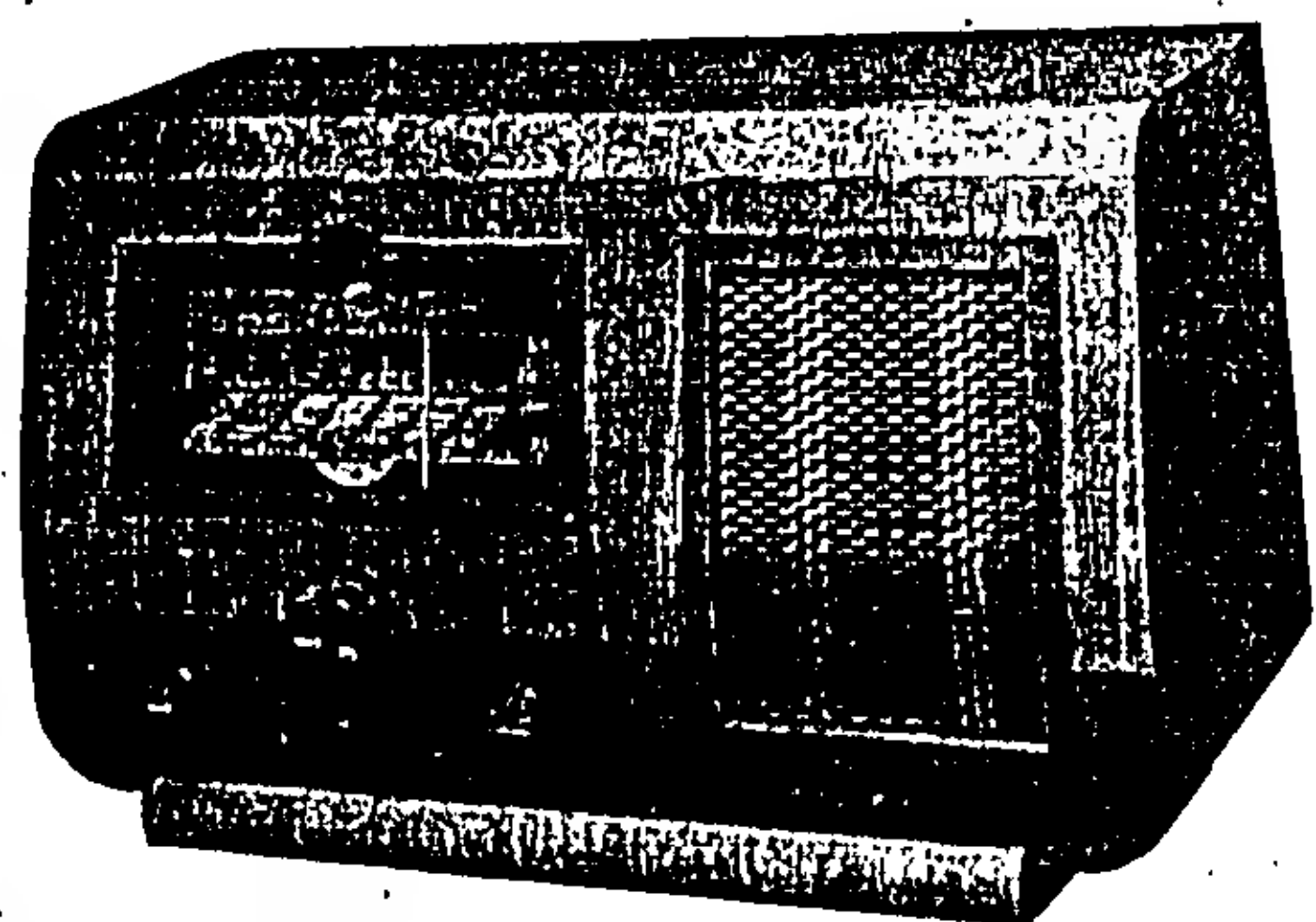


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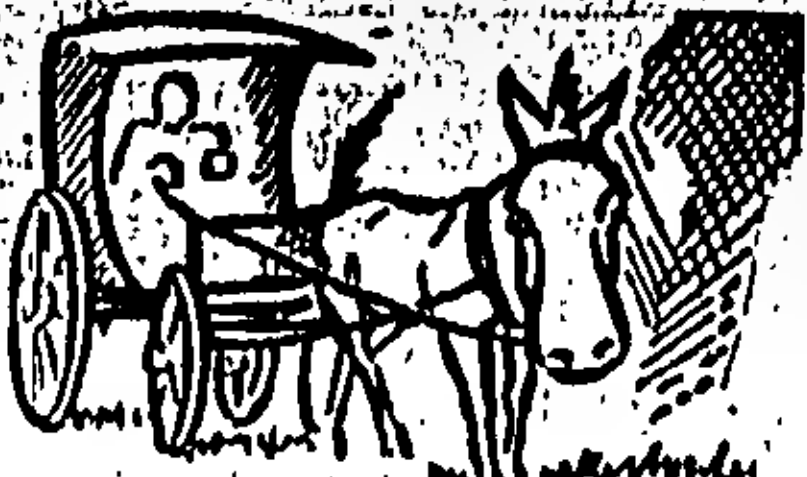
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PORTENTOUS YEAR

THIS year is without doubt the most portentous in the history of Christendom. To believe that one has only to read the well-weighed words of Colonel Stimson, Secretary of State for War, who speaks for the United States Government words that must warm the hearts and steel the sinews of the entire Western Hemisphere. Colonel Stimson is not a man of light utterances. That the United States Cabinet has endorsed such a speech is another great victory to be added to the Destroyer and Bases deal, and the Lend and Lease bill.

Britain and her Allies had hoped that the belated revolt of the Serbs, coupled with British reinforcement of the Greek forces would tie up the German strategy for a month or two, and thus seriously imperil Hitler's all-out drive to end the war this year. Although the gallant actions in the Balkans were costly to the enemy and did delay the programme slightly, no irresistible obstacles were in fact put in his path.

Perhaps Hitler's greatest sin is his greatest weapon. With an absolute disregard for honour he can strike anywhere, against any country, without warning. For us to do that would tarnish the ideal of liberty for all peoples for which we are fighting. Thus we have constantly to be on the defensive. The fact that we still honour treaties forbids us to anticipate other than by defence, enemy action through Spain, Portugal, Tunisia, or Japan. It prevented us from intervening in Iraq until we were actually assailed. The British military machine has been tuned up to a degree that gives us confidence but not complacency. We can keep the flag flying this year but we are not strong enough yet to launch an offensive on the continent.

It would appear that Hitler has two sides to consider right now. He must make a "total" attack on the British Isles, sacrificing perhaps 10,000 aeroplanes and a million men in order to cut in half the possible Anglo-American coalition before it is born. Alternatively, he can reconcile his people to a long war and trust to Teutonic organisation of the fields and factories of subjugated Europe to beat the blockade.

The possibilities on the fighting front are so diverse and so many that it is idle for all but military experts to dwell on them. Through all the uncertainty however, there shines one light that, like the beam of the searchlight, burns fiercely at its origin and expands more and more to diffuse its rays over a wide area; that light is the spirit animating Britons everywhere never to rest until the German people have been thoroughly whipped.

QUISLINGS REBUFFED

Norwegian Resistance To Nazi Models—Sham Germanic Brotherhood

From a
Norwegian Correspondent

Conditions in Norway have deteriorated steadily since the last week of September, when Quisling's party and "Government" were installed and given full powers by the Germans. The Nazi methods aped by the Quislings, the brutalities of *Hirdmenn* (the Norwegian blackmail and blackshirt guard), and the inefficiency of her administration have created a growing opposition against the traitors themselves and their German masters. The personal visits to Oslo, first of the Nazi Minister of Propaganda, Goebbels, and later of the sinister head of the Gestapo, Himmler, can only have meant that the "protection" of Norway had not developed according to plan. Quislings. The biggest or- The Germans had un- doubtedly planned that Nor- way, as the home of her pur- est Nordic race, should sub- missively play the part of a tame guinea-pig in the great Party. The Board of the German Imperial experi- Norwegian Medical Associa- ment. Norwegians were not im- pressed by this honour. More intimate contact con- firmed to them that the Ger- mans were anything but a de- pure race and that their cul- ture as demonstrated in the occupation was far below the Norwegian standard.

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All reports from Norway agree that the resistance to the invaders is becoming of more effective; they give many examples of the inven- tiveness of the Norwegians *Ersatz*. And from all over in their silent war, in which the country come reports their strongest weapon is that the workers are firmly cold contempt and scornful active against the oppres- sors.

Judges And Bishops

A climax in this development was undoubtedly reached by the resignation of all the members of the Norwegian Supreme Court as a protest against Terboven's attempt to convert the law courts and the legal administra- tion into a part of the Nazi ter- rorist machine. Their unanim- ous resignation was accompanied by a protest against the viola- tion of the Norwegian constitu- tion, which Terboven, the Reich- skommissar, had promised to respect, and of international law, to which the Germans still pay a cynical lip service. After con- siderable search the Quislings succeeded in finding some new Judges, most of them rather obscure lawyers, and these have now completely submitted to the will of the Germans.

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has spread among the Ger- man forces to such a degree that many are bashful of using the Nazi greeting in public.

Against Oppression

Open opposition has been expressed in many ways. A number of important nation- al organisations have come out in open opposition to the Quislings. The biggest or- ganisation of Norwegian farmers, Norges Bondelag, refused with an overwhelm- ing majority to join Nasjon- missivly play the part of a tame guinea-pig in the great Party. The Board of the German Imperial experi- Norwegian Medical Associa- ment. Norwegians were not im- pressed by this honour. More intimate contact con- firmed to them that the Ger- mans were anything but a de- pure race and that their cul- ture as demonstrated in the occupation was far below the Norwegian standard.

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It was in this sequence of events that, as already reported in *The Times*, the seven Bishops of Norway wrote their letter to Skarcke, the Quislingist Minister for Church and Education, expostulating against the outrages of the *Hirdmenn* and asking whether the promise given by Hitler and Terboven of full religious freedom and legal independence could still be trusted.

A request to members of the Oslo police that they should apply for membership of Quisling's party had the result that half the force sent in their re- signations. An order that they should use the Nazi salute caused a strike. In consequence, German police can now be seen on duty in the streets of Oslo in increasing numbers.

Clashes between the popula- tion and the *Hirdmenn* are be- coming more frequent in towns throughout Norway. People have been killed and wounded in demonstrations against German soldiers and against the *Hirdmenn*.

In Drammen a few days ago a swagging young member of the *Hird* was lynched by the population. The *Hird* has been strongly reinforced. Some notorious lawbreakers and bandits have been included in the bodyguard. They are being constantly drilled to more aggres- sive and brutal methods.

Increased Lawlessness

Lawlessness is increasing. The Bishop of Oslo, Dr Berg- grav, has stated that the extra- ordinary conditions prevailing were causing looseness in moral life. Appeals have been circulated urging the inhabitants to pay no attention to provocations and not to give the *Hird* the chance to cause any sensational incident. "When the signal is given for united action [the circular states] we shall fight with clean weapons; until then we shall remain calm and continue our passive resistance."

It is, however, clear that the greatest difficulty is to hold in check the impatience of the en- raged population. The British successes in Africa have streng- thened the will to resist and the hopes of a quick deliverance.

In spite of heavy fines being imposed upon the population, many acts of sabotage are taking place. In West Norway the German cables have been cut on several occasions. The city of Stavanger was recently con- demned to pay a fine of 50,000

kroner. Trondheim had to pay 60,000 kroner, and the country of Vestfold 100,000 kroner.

Many arrests have followed the severing of telephone lines, especially in the western districts, where German defences have been seriously interfered with. It is sometimes found that the air-raid signal is out of order when the British bombers arrive. The famous Bergen-Oslo railway, with its 184 tunnels, is in constant difficulties; the journey, normally of about 11 hours, now takes from 24-40 hours, if it can be done at all.

Districts Isolated

Curfew was introduced in many places. In many districts Norwegians are allowed to travel from one place to another only with the special permission of the German authorities. Some districts are virtually cut off from their surroundings. This is especially the case round Bergen, which is considered the centre of the opposition.

The new political people's court will shortly begin its activities, chiefly in Oslo, but also in Stavanger, Bergen, Trondheim, and Tromsø, going on circuit to cope with the numerous cases now awaiting trial. Their number is said to be more than 2,000. It is also reported that other political captives have been transferred to Germany to serve their sentences there.

Political Prisons

Oslo has three political pris- ons, all run by the Germans with German guards. The chief prison, which normally has about 150 inmates, is now housing about 600. The present prisoners include Colonel Lund, from Bergen, Colonel Halvor Hans- son, Major Lindbaek, Hr Ton- nessen, Chief of Police in Kris- tiansand; Major Fin Back; Hr Bjorn Hansen, a shipowner and president of the Norwegian Shipowners' Federation; Hr Klaveness, manager of the Nor- wegian Shipowners' Federation; and Hr Emil Stang, one of the resigned Judges of the Norwe- gian Supreme Court.

There are concentration camps at Ulven outside Bergen and in the Oster-Valley. The editor of the important Liberal provincial paper *Stavanger Aftenblad*, Sven Oftedal, is in the Bergen concentration camp, and Trond Hegna, who wrote an article, "The Norwe- gians are not for Sale," pre- viously referred to in *The Times*, is in another camp. Hr Paal Berg, arrested again a few days ago, was president of the Supreme Court from 1929 till he resigned with the other Judges. He is a former Minister of Jus- tice.

Ill-Treatment

The prisoners are ill-treated. The most usual procedure is for one man to hold the prisoner while others punch his face. Prisoners have been compelled to stand barefoot in the snow while revolver shots were fired round their legs, in the hope of making them break down and de- nounce others. After their in- terrogation many prisoners have had to be taken to hospital with broken ribs and ear-drums. They are not allowed to read books, not even the Bible, nor may they receive visitors or letters.

The description of the treat- ment of these political prisoners given by those who have left prison is scarcely believable.

The Younger Generation

Sentence of death was recently passed on three young men of Bergen for having used a secret transmitter, with which they were accused of having sent out information about the German Army. They were gifted young men who had excelled both in their work and in games. Their tragic fate may drive under- ground the activities against the Germans, but in doing so it will only intensify the feeling against the invader.

After all the German efforts to win over the Norwegian people, first by soft words, and then by prisons and concentra- tion camps, have failed, attempts are being made to conquer the younger and more impresson- able generation with high-sound- ing phrases about the Germanic brotherhood which shall lift Nor- way out of its democratic de- pravity to power and "real" in- dependence. They also will fail. In spite of Terboven's plan- ning and that Nazi stagecraft which was so effective in Ger- many, the response in Norway has been extremely poor.

IS YOUR BOY CLEVER?

By

"Magister"

EVERY parent, with the ex- ception of those amazingly eccentric parents—they do exist—who are jealous of their own children, hopes his boy is clever.

Clever parents usually have clever children, and the offspring of dull parents are as a rule dull. Of course, exceptionally, the dull may have a clever father and a clever boy may have dull parents.

Nature's variety is infinite. There is one point, however, on which we may be sure. As the rain falls on the just and the unjust alike, so brains are not the prerogative of the rich or of the poor.

That money can provide for the training of given brains is obviously true, and so the im- pression is created that brains are more often found among the moneyed classes.

The dull child of poor parents remains a hewer of wood and a drawer of water while the dull child of wealthy parents may reach great heights. West- minster itself could, not infre- quently, provide specimens to support the latter assertion. For future success youthful en- vironment is more important than innate ability.

How are you going to re- cognise cleverness in your child? The usual school examinations

are at least a rough and ready guide, but here much depends on the teachers your boy has had the good or bad fortune to get. A sympathetic and clever teacher can make a child's in- tellect blossom like the rose, whereas a lot of a teacher may ruin any child placed in his charge.

One is sometimes aghast, at the delightful casualness in the choice of teachers. You can, however, tell without much bother if your boy is clever by the marks he gets, especially in certain subjects.

For example, if a boy has consistently high marks in mathematics he must have brains, for no amount of "swotting" will give success in this subject if a boy is not brainy. There have been, of course, brilliant exceptions to this. Some very able men boast of having "no head for mathematics." Ex- amination of these cases would occasionally, I am sure, point to poor teachers of mathematics.

Clever boys usually have high marks all over. That a boy may be very clever in one subject and dull in all others is most exceptional.

If you know that your boy is clever, watch carefully over his progress. Clever people are like blood horses, inclined to kick over the traces. Take care that your clever boy learns to apply himself. If he can do things easily he may become conceited and casual, and here danger lies. Get your boy to take pains, for only by doing so can he reach success.

On the other hand, beware that he does not hurt himself with too much study, that his intellect does not benefit at the expense of his body. Let him play games and read novels and go to the "pictures," all within reason, or you will make "Jack a dull boy."

The time will come when you will have to face the question of what you are to make of your clever son. If you have money, or if your boy can win scholarships—consult his school- master about these—then give him the full course at one of the secondary schools.

This stage completed, the boy can enter a university (scholarships are again available) and take a course leading to divinity, law, medicine, science, with its branches in en- gineering, agriculture, forestry, veterinary science, dentistry, etc., or may, on the other hand, enter such businesses as banking, insur- ance, or accountancy. Exceptionally, he may start a career in art or music. For a clever boy there is a wide choice.

Whatever you do, do not let your boy drift. "Oh, he doesn't know what he wants to be, so I'm just letting him, &c. &c."

When your boy reaches the age of 15 it is most advisable that he should know the road he is taking, or you will waste his time and your money.

CHURCHILL ANSWERS HIS CRITICS: TEXT OF SPEECH TO COMMONS

FROM PAGE ONE

appointments in the field they have the right to know where they stand with the Commons and where the Commons stands with the country.

No Exaggeration
"It is still more important for the sake of foreign nations, especially nations balancing their policy at the present time, and who should be left in no doubt about the stability of this resolved and obstinate war government. It is essential, considering the tremendous issues at stake—and really, we ought not to exaggerate the frightful risks we are all going to run and which are being run—we should have certitude upon these matters. In enemy countries there is the liveliest interest in our proceedings. I flatter myself that high hopes are entertained that all will not go well with His Majesty's present advisers at the present time."

"The only way in which these doubts can be removed or these expectations discouraged is by a full debate followed by a division. The Government is entitled to ask that such a vote shall express itself in unmistakable terms."

Irritating Criticism
"I should be the last to reject even unfair criticism or fair criticism which is so much more searching, but there is a kind of criticism which is a little irritating."

"When a bystander sees a team of horses dragging a heavy wagon uphill and cuts a switch from the hedge and belabours them, he may well be animated by benevolent purpose and benefit may result from his efforts to get the wagon more quickly to the top. But it would be a pity if this debate consisted wholly of critical, condemnatory speeches because it would give a distorted impression to important interested foreign observers who are not well acquainted with our Parliamentary or political affairs. Therefore, I ask for a vote of confidence. (Cheers)"

Institutions Upheld
"This is a free Parliament and a free country. We have succeeded in maintaining under unprecedented difficulties dangers which in some cases might be mortal, the whole process and reality of Parliamentary institutions. (Cheers). It is one of the things we are fighting for. I cannot believe that any man could bear the kind of burden which falls upon the Government to-day unless he were sustained by and strongly convinced of the

support of the Commons and the nation. "The only relief I feel is that everything in human power was done by us and that our honour as a nation is clear. Mr. Hore-Belisha and some others have spoken of the importance in war of full and accurate intelligence of the enemy's movements and intentions. That is one of the glimpses of the obvious in which his speech abounded."

Balkans Warnings
"As far as the German invasion of the Balkans was concerned, we had for long an ample fore-warning of what was in prospect. Our diplomacy has never ceased for a moment to apprise the countries of the perils coming on them and to urge common action by which alone could security safely be attained."

"For weeks we watched the remorseless movements of vast German forces through Hungary, Rumania and Bulgaria towards Yugoslavia and Greece. At least 40 divisions, including five armoured divisions, were massed on the scene. Hitler has told us that it was a crime to let such circumstances pass. I do not want to enter into arguments with experts (Laughter) but this is not the kind of crime of which he is a good judge (Laughter)."

Unregretted Act
"Looking back upon the course of events, I can only feel, as the Prime Minister of New Zealand so nobly declared, that if we had again to tread that path even with the knowledge that we possess to-day, I for one would do the same thing again (Cheers). But after all, military operations must be judged by the success which attends them rather than the setbacks which inspire them, though these may play their part in the verdict of history and in the survival of races."

"It remains to be seen whether the Italian Dictator in invading Greece, and the German Dictator in coming to his rescue and involving Greece and Yugoslavia in a bloody welter, in fact have gained an advantage or suffered a loss when the full story is complete, even from the military viewpoint."

Maintaining Nazi Rule
"The addition of the whole Balkan people to the number of ancient independent states which have fallen under the Nazi yoke and have to be held down by brute force or intrigue, may by no means prove a source of strength to the German army. This vast machine is now spread from the Arctic to the Aegean and from the Atlantic to the Black Sea. That is no source of strength."

"Turning from the military to the political aspect, nothing can more surely debar the Germans from establishing and shaping a new Europe, than the fact that the German army and the German race have become and are becoming more universally and intensely hated among the peoples of all lands than any enemy or any race. History bears record (Cheers)."

"Some have compared Hitler's conquests with Napoleon's. It may be said that Spain and Russia will shortly furnish a new chapter to that theme. It must be remembered, however, that Napoleon's armies carried with them the fierce liberating and equalitarian winds of the French Revolution whereas Hitler's Empire has nothing behind it but racial self-interest, espionage, pillage, corruption and the Prussian boot."

High Purpose
"Napoleon flashed away. So I derive confidence that the will-power of the British nation, expressing itself through the stern, steadfast and unyielding House of Commons, will once again perform its liberating functions and humbly execute the high purpose among men."

"I say this with more confidence because we are no longer a small island lost in the northern mists but around us gather in broad array all nations of the British Empire. Now from across the Atlantic the mighty United States Republic proclaims itself on our side or at our side, or at any rate near our side."

"I do not to-day discuss the large and complicated questions of munitions or food questions. Probably in a secret session, the Minister of Supply will make a statement to the House."

Tank Strategy
"There is one simple point about tanks which Mr. Hore-Belisha in his speech yesterday might have mentioned, for he was Chief of the War Office in the years preceding the war. In the last war, tanks were built to go three or four miles an hour and stand up to rifle or machine-gun bullets. In the interval mechanical science has advanced so much that it is possible to make tanks go up to 25 miles an hour and stand up to cannon fire. It is a particular revolution which Hitler has profited. "It was well known in military and technical circles for years before the war, it did not spring from German but from British ideas and others like General de Gaulle. It has been exploited and turned to our grievous injury by the non-inventive but highly competent and imitative Germans. Let me tell him that we are making every month now as many heavy tanks as there existed in the British Army at the time that he left the War Office and that we shall, before the end of this year, be producing nearly double that. This takes no account of the immense production in the United States."

Reply To Lloyd George
"Replying to Mr. Lloyd George's criticisms about the composition of the Government, Mr. Churchill declared that the Government works loyally and effectively at present, and 'I do not propose to make further change until further advised.' 'Something has been said of the importance of my being surrounded by people who would stand up to me and say 'No! No! No!' He has no idea how strong the negative principle is in the Constitution and working of the British war-making machinery (Laughter). 'The difficulty is not to have more

brake put on the wheel but to get more impetus and force behind it."

"In the business of Libya and Greece no violence has been done to expert military opinion. All decisions have been unitedly and purely voluntarily in good will under the pressure of events. I personally as head of the Government have obviously assumed responsibility in the most direct personal form. It follows that I am one whose head may be cut off if we do not win the war—and I am very ready that this should be so—and that because members of the House would probably experience an even more unpleasant fate at the hands of the triumphant Huns (Laughter)."

Middle East
"There is a tendency in some quarters, especially abroad, to talk about the Middle East as if we could afford to lose our position there and yet carry on the war to victory on oceans and in the air. It is a strategic fact that may be true but do not let anyone underestimate the gravity of the issues being fought for in the Nile valley."

"The loss of the Nile valley and the Suez Canal, of our position in the Mediterranean and of Malta would be among the heaviest blows we could sustain. We are determined to fight for them with all the resources of the British Empire and we have every reason to believe that we shall be successful."

"General Wavell has under his orders at present nearly half a million men. A continuous flow of equipment has been in progress from this country during the last ten months, and now that Italian resistance in Abyssinia, Africa and the Somalilands is collapsing, steady concentration northwards of all these forces is possible."

Desert Warfare
"Indeed it has been for many weeks rapidly proceeding, and General Smuts has ordered the splendid South African Army (cheers) forward to the Mediterranean shore. But the warfare of the Western Desert or of any of the deserts which surround Egypt, can only be conducted by comparatively small numbers of highly equipped troops. "Employment in the desert of large numbers may only lead to disaster. That is what happened to the Italians. 180,000 men lay along African soil and once the head of these forces was chopped off it was not physically possible for them to retreat."

"The same thing, with important modifications, might well have happened to us when German armoured forces defeated and largely destroyed our single armoured brigade which was guarding the advance frontier of the province of Cirenaica."

At El Agheila
"I have an account of what happened at El Agheila. The Germans were taken prisoner by taking undue risks in personal movements. Events are moving so fast, and people have so much to do that there is no time to dwell on the past, but certain broad features will surprise the House."

"The German armoured force was not much larger than our own. Technical mistakes and mischances occurred. With very little fighting our armoured forces became disordered. The other troops we had in Benghazi only amounted to a division, which, by rapid retreat, gained Tobruk un molested, and with reinforcements stands there at bay to-day."

Opportunist Drive
"As we know the Germans had no expectations of proceeding beyond El Agheila. They meant to engage our armoured forces and create a diversion to prevent the despatch of reinforcements to Greece whilst bringing over large forces from Italy and Sicily."

"When they won their surprising success, they accepted it with a ganised audacity, and pushed on into the desert taking little thought of what they should eat or drink on the morrow. They pushed on until they came up against the very heavy prop at Tobruk and until they came to the large forces which guard the frontiers of Egypt and lie back securely based on road and sea communications."

"At present they have stopped. It would be foolish to carry the story further, but as long as the enemy has the superiority in armoured vehicles they will have the advantage in desert warfare, although at present the air forces are about equal."

Germans Face Problems
"For the invasion of Egypt with the German main force, enormous preparations would be required. A pipe line might have to be made to carry an artificial river forward with the tanks. We are lying back on our fertile desert, which, incidentally, is the worst ground for armoured vehicles."

"We have command of the sea, and the Germans are confronted with problems far more difficult than any they have solved in Africa. This is all the more true while we are defending as we intend to defend to the death without thought of retreatment, the highly offensive outposts of Crete and Tobruk."

"Crete has not yet been attacked. The strategic significance of Tobruk was obvious from the first and any one can see how irresistibly it has tended to fight with all our strength for the Nile valley and the command of the Mediterranean. Our troops and our resources will give a good account of themselves."

Generals' Mistakes
"Therefore, let there be no feather-headed or defeatist talk about our losing our losses in the Middle East. As I said in December, when our situation in Egypt was far more critical than now, it is a case of deeds not words."

"Our Generals on the spot believed that no superior German force could advance effectively across the desert as soon or as quickly as they did, and if they did advance they would not be able to maintain their position. That was a mistake. But anyone who supposes that there will be no more

trikes in war is very unreal and foolish."

"It has yet to be seen how the forces that have advanced will fare in heavy fighting with all the hazards which still lie before them at no great distance."

"When your enemy has five or six times the regular army that you have, when he is more adequately equipped and is much stronger in the air and in tanks, and when he lies in the centre of the war scene and can strike out in one, two or three directions simultaneously out of choice of seven or eight, it is evident that your problem becomes rather difficult."

Regarding Iraq
"It is not possible to avoid repeated setbacks and misfortunes and these we shall very likely have to go through for quite a long time. Our Intelligence Service was thought to be the best in the world during the last war and it is certainly not the worst in the world to-day."

"As long ago as last May the Foreign Office had to ask for troops to be sent to Iraq to guard our lines of communications. But all the troops we had got had to go to the Nile Valley."

"In default of troops it was difficult to make headway against the pro-Axis intrigues of Raschid Ali whose object obviously was to have everything ready for the Germans as soon as they could reach Iraq according to plan. Therefore the ill-informed and selfish British Government actually forestalled this plot. Strong British forces landed and assumed control of the highly important bridgehead in the east—Basra—for which we shall doubtless have to fight hard and long. Raschid Ali was led into more violent courses. For several days we were very anxious about the position there."

Successful Raid
"Yesterday the garrison at Habbaniyah sallied out and completely routed the besiegers and put them to flight. Twenty-six Iraqi officers and 408 men were taken prisoners and total enemy casualties were estimated at 1,000."

"Possibly the Germans will arrive before we have crushed the revolt, in which case our task will become more difficult. Possibly the revolt went off half cock."

"We intend to assist the Iraqis to get rid of Raschid Ali and his military dictatorship at the earliest possible moment."

"I have never promised anything but blood, tears, toil and sweat, to which I will add our full share of mistakes, shortcomings and disappointments and also that this may go on for a very long time and at the end of which I firmly believe that there will be a complete and final victory (Cheers)."

Battle of Atlantic
"It is a mistake to say that the Battle of the Atlantic is won. Our test is the number of tons of imports brought in. At present we are maintaining the rate of traffic with heavy losses. We are trying to meet these losses by building new ships, repairing the damaged ships and accelerating the turning-round of our ships in ports."

"We have made great progress in all these spheres but there is much more to do. With the continued flow of assistance already given us by the United States, we can probably maintain our minimum essential traffic during 1941. For 1942 we must look to the immense construction of merchant ships in the United States. I have received an assurance of the construction by the United States which, added to our own large programme, should see us through that year. Maybe 1943, if we have to endure it as a year of war, will present easier problems."

United States Aid
"The United States patrol announced by President Roosevelt that a considerable part of the Atlantic is a certain degree of our hands, but we need a good deal more help and I expect that we shall get a good deal more help in many ways. It has been declared that we are to have all the help that is necessary, but here I speak with caution because no British Minister can forecast and still prescribe the policy of the United States."

"When a mighty democracy of 130,000,000 gets on the move, one can only await the full developments of the translation of those vast psychological manifestations into physical means."

"Hitler's fear of the United States is apparent from the fact that he has, 100,000,000 declared war on them. We are fighting for our life and for survival from day to day and hour to hour. But Hitler has his problems too, and if we only remain united and strive to do our utmost to increase our exertions and work together like one great family, helping each other in the five million families in Britain are doing to-day under enemy fire, I cannot conceive how anyone can doubt that victory will crown the good cause which we serve."

Achievements
"It is almost a year since the disastrous battle of France. Little did we know what storms and perils lay before us and little did Hitler know when he received the total capitulation of France and expected to be master of Europe in a few weeks and of the world in a few years that, ten months later, he would be appealing to the much-tried German people to prepare themselves for the war of 1942."

"When I look back upon the perils which we have overcome and remember all that has gone wrong and all that has gone right, I feel sure that we have no need to fear the tempest. Let it roar, let it rage. We shall come through." (Cheers)."

President Roosevelt's Condition Improves
WASHINGTON, May 7 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt's condition has improved, but his doctor has advised him to stay indoors for a few days more.

Menzies Inspires Canada

OTTAWA, May 7 (Reuter).—"We shall win the war. I do not say that in any easy optimism but with supreme confidence," said Mr. R. G. Menzies in a speech at Canadian Club luncheon after his arrival from New York in a Canadian Royal Air Force bomber.

He added: "We Britons have the will, the merit and the spirit. All we need is for the world to give us the machines. Our cause is the cause of the United States and of all civilised people. It is the cause of common man."

"The saddest thing I have ever seen was the people of Britain being led from blazing streets: the sight of them hurrying to work next morning was the happiest."

Fight For Peace
"These people are not going to ask for peace—they are going to fight for it."

The Governor-General, the Earl of Athlone, and the Prime Minister of Canada, Mr. W. L. Mackenzie King, attended the luncheon.

Mr. Menzies later attended a meeting of the House of Commons and was given a seat on the floor of the House, the first time that a non-member was given the honour since the last war. Members gave him a rousing applause.

Mr. Menzies also attended a meeting of the War Cabinet. He is expected to address the Commons at a later date.

Dover Area Shelled

Spotter Plane Downed
LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—The Dover area to-night was rocked by a brief but vicious burst of shelling by German long-range guns mounted on the French coast.

The bombardment began in the bright light of the setting sun with salvos at intervals of several minutes. The shell-fire warning whistles sounded. Cinemas were emptied of audiences who ran for cover.

One shell-burst turned over a car which caught fire.

Two people were killed and 12 injured altogether.

Anti-aircraft guns fired on Messerschmitts spotting for the German artillery. One Messerschmitt spiralled down out of control and is believed to have crashed in Mid-Channel.

Dover Casualties
LONDON, May 7 (UP).—Two women were killed and 12 people injured in the shelling of the Dover area. The women were standing chatting on the street when a shell burst alongside them. A naval officer was seriously injured and his car set alight.

YUNNANESE TO STUDY IN U.S.A.

KUNMING, May 7 (Central News).—In order to create a competent personnel for service in various fields of administration in the province, the Yunnan Provincial Government at its meeting yesterday decided to dispatch students to study in America on Government scholarships. The first batch of students numbering 40, will be sent within a short period.

Hata's Inspection Of Front Lines

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". NANKING, May 7 (Dome).—General Shunroku Hata, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese Expeditionary Forces to China, who has been inspecting the fronts near Kingmen, Yinghsan, Yingcheng, Nanchang and other places in the Wuhan area, returned here yesterday.



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Lloyd George Speaks In Debate

LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—The resumption of the debate on a vote of confidence was opened by Mr. Lloyd George with a spirited speech. He said that with the first part of the resolution (expressing confidence in the Government) everyone agreed, but there were parts of the Government's war administration on which there was dissatisfaction and disappointment.

Mr. Lloyd George asked why Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, whilst taking the loyalty of Turkey withheld the fact that Turkey allowed German ships to pass through the Bosphorus into the Dardanelles to seize an island.

Appealing for more information, Mr. Lloyd George said: "We are not an infantile nation to withhold unpleasant facts from. This nation has faced far too many crises and defeats in the past to be frightened by anything that has happened, even up to the present."

Mr. Lloyd George thanked God for Colonel Stimson's speech which showed that Americans realised the gravity of the position, but it was most important "not to exaggerate what you are going to get, or rather how quickly you are going to get it."

America's Task
In the last war America put her feet in the Atlantic while Japan guaranteed the Pacific, but to-day Americans had got to keep in mind that they were now the sole guardians of the Pacific. If America was going to enable us to catch up and then overtake Germany, she had got to do infinitely more than any indication he had heard of up to the present.

He urged the Prime Minister to reconsider the whole distribution of manpower and have a real War Council of three or four men who should have nothing to do but study the problems and give the Prime Minister their mature advice.

Nazis Want Air Bases In Syria

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". ISTANBUL, May 7 (UP).—Diplomatic sources state that the Germans are bringing pressure on Vichy for air bases in Syria.

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Food From U.S. For Britain

WASHINGTON, May 7 (Reuter).—Mr. Claude Wickard, Secretary for Agriculture, announced the formation of a joint Anglo-American Committee to expedite the purchase and shipment of food to Britain under the provisions of the Lend and Lease Act.

Mr. Wickard will be Chairman of the Committee, which will comprise three members of the British Food Mission and three Americans.

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TO-MORROW AT THE **KING'S**

Tennis Singles Final Abandoned At Two Sets All

Dour Struggle Between Tsui Brothers On Stand Court

(By "Tinker")

THE SUDDEN GATHERING of clouds around the Peak which caused an overshadowing of the Stand Court brought about the abandonment of the Open Tennis Singles Final yesterday between the Tsui brothers after each had won two sets.

It was a great struggle in its baseline duels. Tsui Yun-pui showed the greater inclination to advance to the net, but he was definitely the weaker in that position. He lost several points when almost on top of the net, whereas Wai-pui scored with well controlled volleys when similarly placed.

The baseline shots were of a high standard. Each exploited the backhand with great accuracy and the prolonged rallies were fine to watch.

Attendance in the Stand was poor. Prices had been increased to \$5 and \$2, with the seats on the other side of the court raised from 50 cents to \$1. The proceeds are for the Bomber Fund.

By far the finest shot of the match was Yun-pui's backhand drive as he advanced to the net. It paved the way to what should have been winning shots but for his weakness at the net.

Wai-pui matched his brother's speed with court-craft and controlled short drop shots that were another feature of the match. For the opening game, however, he was definitely on the defensive, and played only as well as his younger brother would permit.

Yun-pui led 1-0, 2-0, 2-1, 3-1, 4-1, 5-1, 5-2, 5-3 and won at 6-3. The 4th and 5th games were love games, while in the 6th Wai-pui was only able to take one point. In the 7th, Yun-pui led 40-15 on his own service, but failed with both set points and lost four in a row for the game. He came back strongly in the last game, however, which was another love-game, and scored the last point with a beautiful backhand shot down the tramlines.

Neither player wasted any energy. In fact, they took so much time in going for the shots, especially in the case of Yun-pui, that the delay was often fatal. It left no margin for a clean stroke, and gave the other side time to recover any lost position.

Second Set

YUN-PUI opened in the second set as though the match were only going to three sets. He led 3-1 before Wai-pui rallied and with great determination and control took the 5th game after deuce had been called twice. Errors were at this period mostly into the net, but it must be said that they were forced errors.

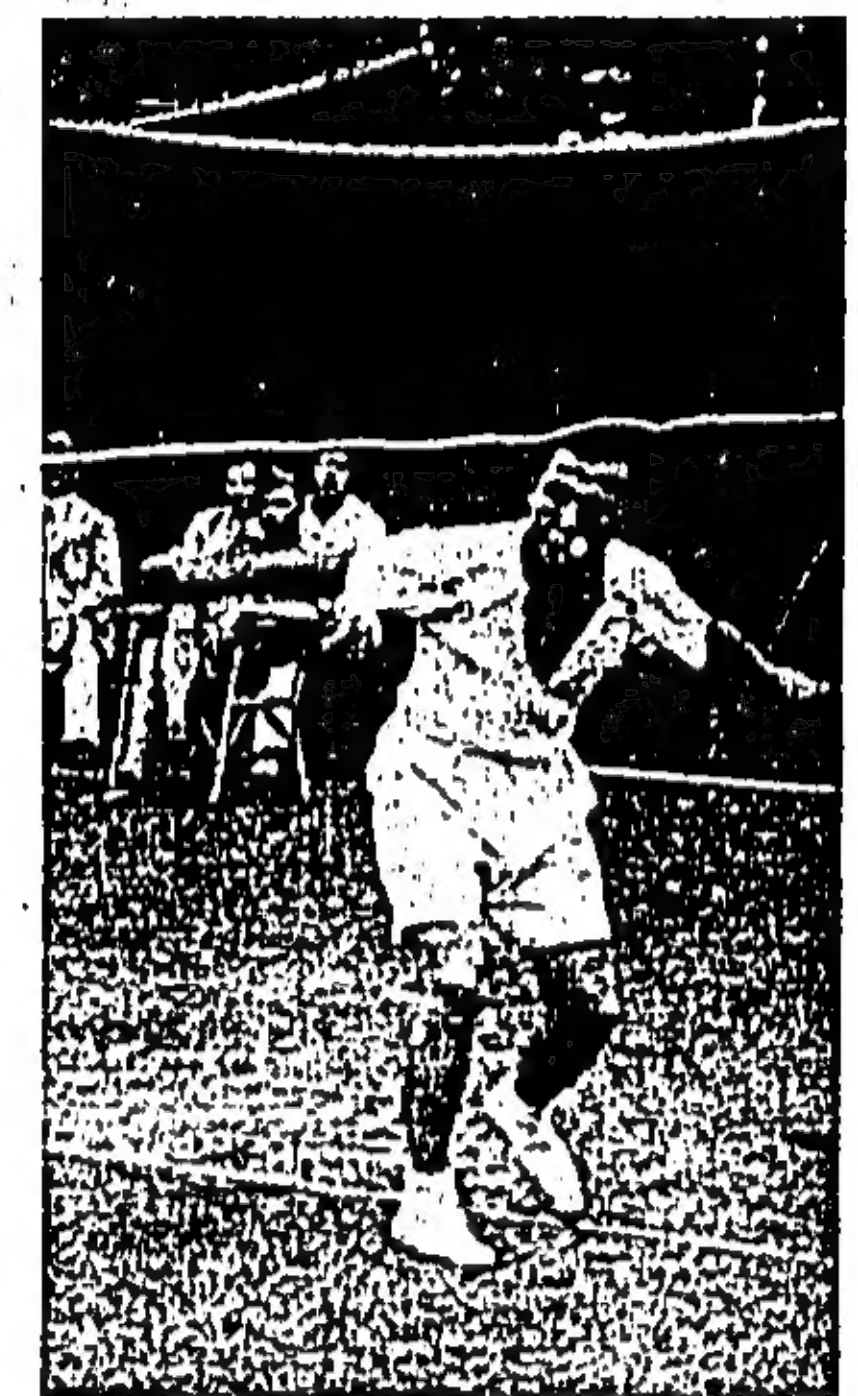
Wai-pui drew up to 3-all, and though Yun-pui went into the lead again at 4-3, he drew level again at 4-all with a love-game on Yun-pui's service.

The younger brother lost the ninth game through his eagerness in advancing to the net, but should have drawn level in the next when he led 40-15 on his own service. Deuce, however, was called only once before Wai-pui went out winner at 6-4.

Restrained Tactics

THE restrained tactics that had been noticeable throughout were more prominent in the third set. Yun-pui apparently was reserving himself for a long struggle, and even the baseline shots had lost some of their "zip."

He took a 2-0 lead, but the third game was a long affair. Deuce was called no less than seven times be-



Tsui Wai-pui executing a backhand shot in his Singles match against his brother, Tsui Yun-pui, at the Stand Court yesterday. —Ming Yuen.

fore Wai-pui scored with cross-court winners.

The score moved to 2-all when Wai-pui's backhand shot was excellent passing shot, and then to 3-all. Yun-pui should have taken the lead on the seventh game when he led 40-15 on his brother's service, but volleying errors threw the game away.

He took the 11th game after again leading 40-15 on Wai-pui's service, and after deuce had been called, but the great game of the set was the next. Wai-pui drew up to 30-all on a rather lucky netcord. Deuce was called three times, Yun-pui had set point after the second deuce, but Wai-pui came back again with another of his great backhand passing shots. He could not maintain opposition against his persistent brother, however, and lost the game and set at 7-5.

Greater Freedom

WAI-PUI in the fourth set showed a greater freedom in strokes. He quelled his brother with great accuracy and excellent control. It was not a walk-over, however. Yun-pui showed a greater restraint than ever, which was inclined to show his brother in a more favourable light.

From 2-all, Wai-pui went to 4-2, but after three deuces, he lost the 7th game, and then the 8th to even matters at 4-all. He scored fairly easily on his own service in the next to lead again 5-4, but in the 10th game deuce was called twice, and he had lost one set point before he was able to win the set at 6-4.

One Set To-day To Decide Singles Final!

IT IS LEARNED that the unfinished Singles Tennis final between the Tsui brothers will be concluded to-day.

Only one set will be played this afternoon. This, of course, is the fifth set, they each having won two yesterday.

The set will be played following the Club Singles Final between M. Pagh and C. H. R. Oxlade.

Major Baseball

St Louis Nose Out Athletics In 14 Innings

NEW YORK, May 7 (UP).—Feature of to-day's Major Baseball programme was the 14th innings victory of St Louis Browns 6-5 over Philadelphia Athletics in the American circuit.

Scores were:

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 Washington..... 2 6 1
 Baltimore..... 3 7 0

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 Chicago..... 11 16 1
 Philadelphia..... 2 5 3
 Cincinnati..... 1 5 1
 New York..... 0 7 0
 Baltimore..... 0 7 0

Tennis

Former K.C.C. Player Beats Malayan Champion

Miss M. Stokes in S'pore

BIGGEST surprise of the current Singapore lawn tennis season was sprung in the Singapore Cricket Club's spring lawn tennis tournament recently, when Miss Margaret Stokes, a comparative newcomer, defeated Mrs. R. Carter, the Malayan women's lawn tennis champion, 6-3, 6-0, 6-0, in the final of the women's event.

Against such an experienced player as Mrs. Carter, Miss Stokes did well to win. She played a steady game and this proved to be the deciding factor in her favour.

Frequently double faulting, Mrs. Carter displayed poor form and often lost points through glaring mistakes. An injured thumb, which was treated during the game, might have been the cause of her disappointing display.

Mrs. Carter improved in the second set which she won rather comfortably at 6-3. With the sets level, great things were expected of the rubber set, but Miss Stokes came through with flying colours without conceding a single game.

Miss Stokes was formerly in Hong-kong and was one of the best players in the Kowloon Cricket Club. She represented the Kowloon side in the Mixed Doubles League.

Encarnacao Wins Spring Champions On Hindhead

SHANGHAI, May 7 (UP).—Riding as well as a planned race as the Autumn when the Encarnacao again booted in Mr. A. G. Henchman's Hindhead to win the Spring Champions at the fourth day of the Shanghai Race Club's meeting to-day.

Hindhead won by a neck from Mr. Cornish's Franklin's Silver Fox, with Sonny Green in the saddle, half a length in front of Mr. G. A. Henchman's Clunie Hill, with F. Noddy up the time 2:24.3-5, was fairly fast for a mile and a quarter.

Hindhead paid \$35.20 for a win and the place figures were \$14, \$22.00, \$17.50.
 Nine ponies started. One of the biggest crowds on record saw the event despite the bleak skies.



DUCCAL CONGRATULATIONS—Duke of Windsor, Governor of Bahamas, congratulates William Labrof, owner of Stormy Weather that won Miami-Nassau yacht race recently. Scene is at buffet supper and dance at Nassau Yacht Club.

Home Cricket Plans For The Summer

England v. Dominions Visualised

LONDON, April 30 (Reuter).—R. W. V. Robbins, the England all-rounder, has got together a Royal Air Force team which will oppose a Rest of England side if one game suggested for Whitnau week takes place.

Swimming

V.R.C. Shows Profit For Past Season

The Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, was re-elected Chairman for the fifth successive year at the annual meeting of the Victoria Recreation Club yesterday.

In his review, Sir Atholl referred to the Colony's disappointment when the Manila-Hongkong swimming interport was cancelled at the eleventh hour. Despite this, he said, the swimming season was a successful one and spoke well of the manner in which the Colony swimming championships were conducted.

Sir Atholl recalled the death of Norman Lee, and referred to it as a loss to swimming circles.

Profit Shown

Sir Atholl said he was pleased to note the club had weathered the storm of the financial year, and the profit and loss account showed a surplus of income of \$541.30.

The following committee was elected.—Messrs D. Lyon, A. A. Noronha, S. A. Rumbhah, M. B. Gutierrez, W. L. Clark, F. M. Castro, A. O. Barretto, J. F. Lawrence, D. Ribeiro, L. M. Remdesio (Hon. Treasurer), L. Roza Pereira (Hon. Secretary).

Programme For First Inter-Hong Gala

The programme of the first inter-Hong swimming gala of the season to be held at the European Y.M.C.A. on June 11 was arranged yesterday. Mr. C. F. Hyde was in the chair and was supported by Mr. E. W. Radford (Secretary), Mr. Stewart (Butterfield and Swire), Miss S. Baskett (A.P.C.), Mr. W. Forsyth (Kowloon Dock), Mr. F. M. Thompson (Hongkong Bank), and Mr. G. Arnold (Standard Oil), Messrs A. F. May and R. Goldman (Y.M.C.A.).

Entries will close on May 20. Messrs Thompson and L. A. Benn (Doddwell's) will be responsible for collecting the Hongkong teams and Mr. Forsyth the Kowloon entries.

Mr. May said he would take the responsibility of holding the Government relay team for the 200 yards relay.

Programme

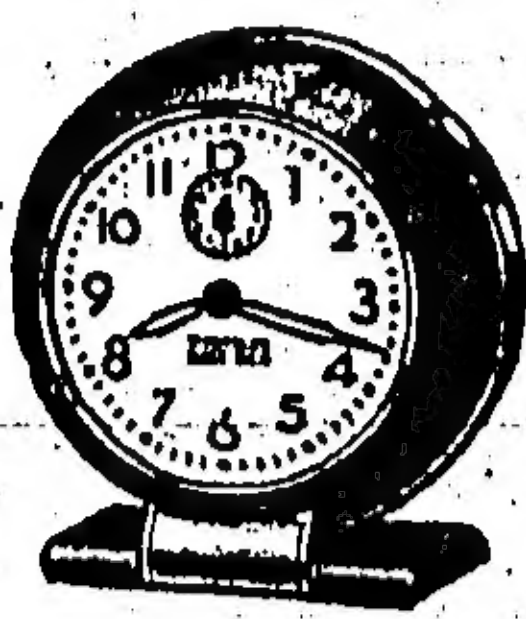
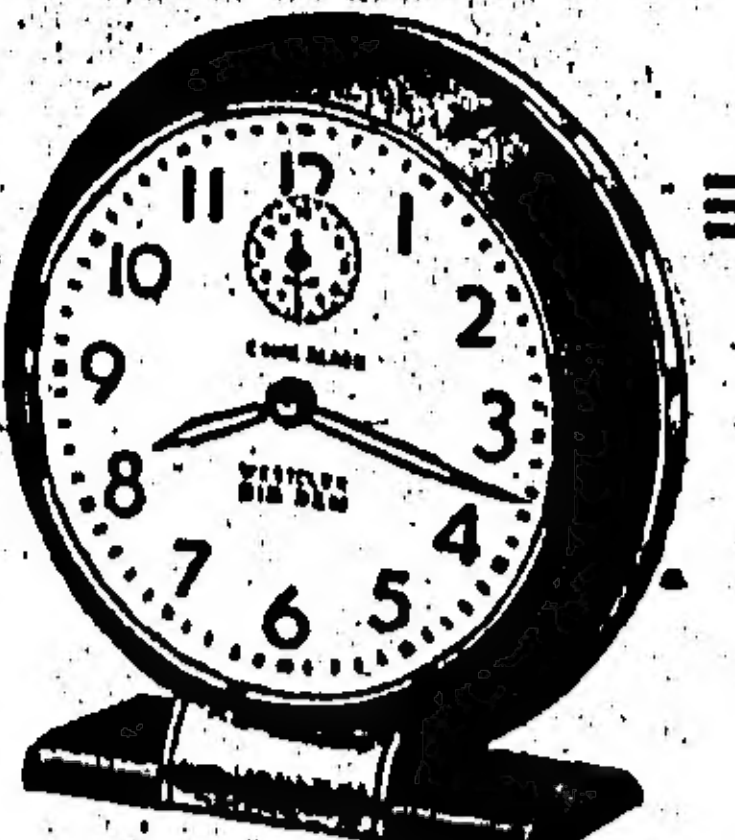
The programme will be as follows:—100 yards medley relay (teams of four, free, back, breast and free styles); 100 yards medley relay (teams of four, free, back, breast and free styles); 100 yards medley relay (teams of four, free, back, breast and free styles); 100 yards medley relay (teams of four, free, back, breast and free styles).

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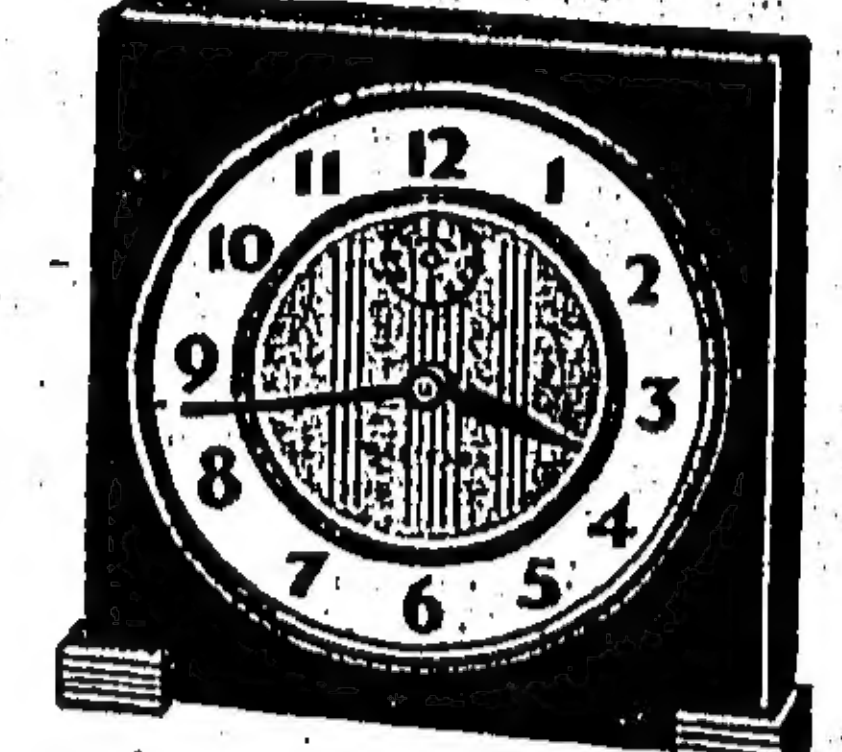
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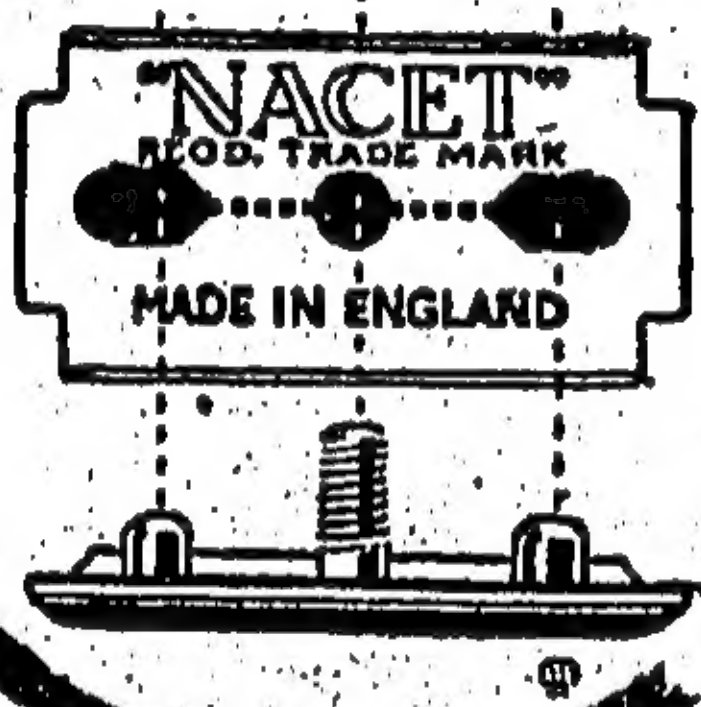
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No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

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The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 21200).

No Children or animals will be admitted to either Enclosure.

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The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,
 C. R. BROWN, Secretary
 Hong Kong, 8th May, 1941.

Combined Military

Athletics To-day

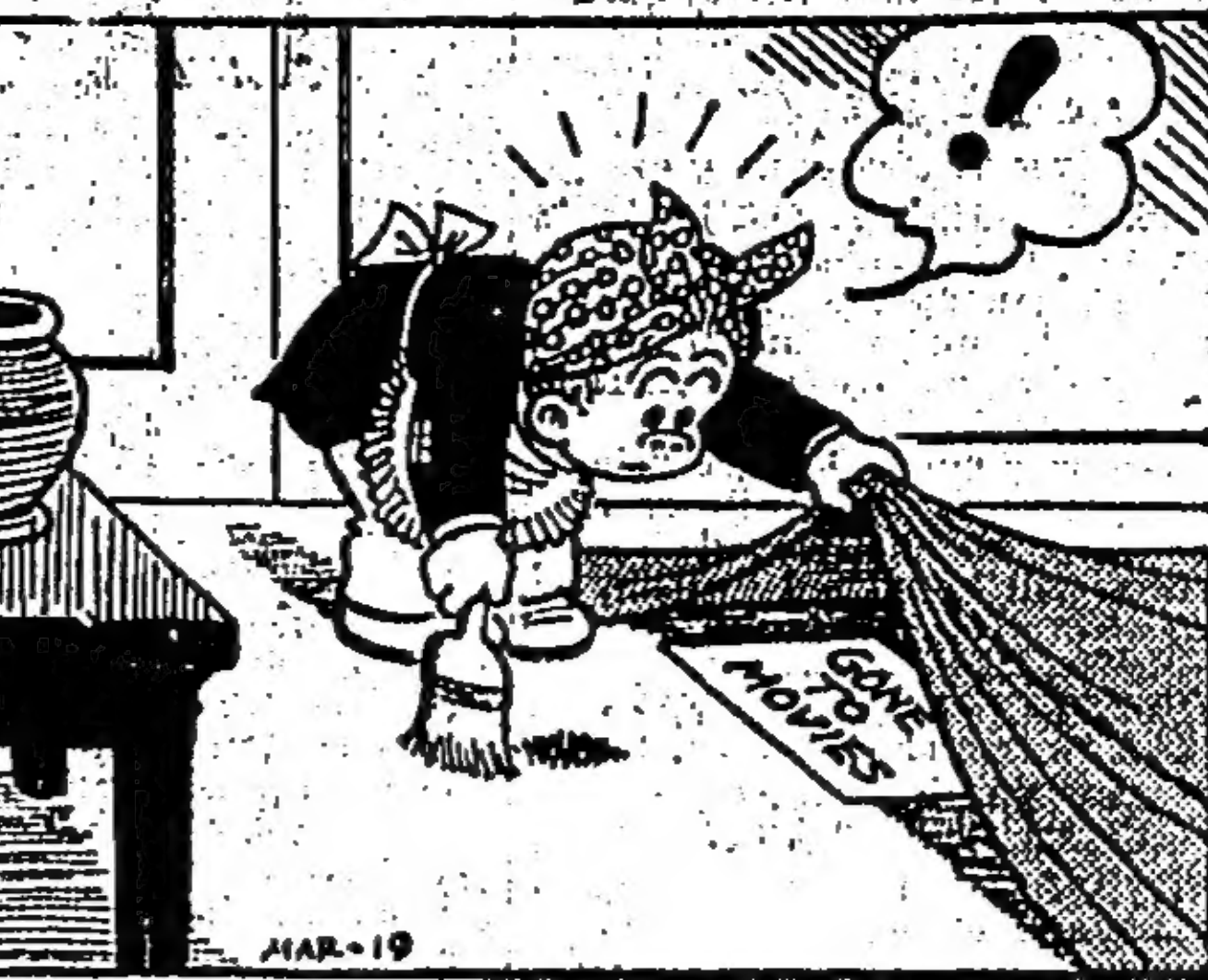
Some interesting sport should be witnessed at Shamshuipo this afternoon when the Combined Royal Artillery Athletic team will meet a combined Middlesex and 5/7th Rajput Regiment side in a series of track and field events. The R.A. team is as follows:

100 Yards Hurdles.—Capt P. J. T. Skipwith (5 R.A.), Hav. Mohd. Khandu Singh (H.K.S.R.A.), Hav. Khuda Baksh (2 A.A.), and Hav. Udhay Singh (5 A.A.).
 200 Yards Hurdles.—Hav. Barra Khan (5 R.A.), and L/Nk Mudasir Khan (H.K.S.R.A.).
 4 x 100 Yards Relay.—Hav. Mohd. Sher Bah (5 R.A.), L/Nk Mohan Singh (5 R.A.), Hav. Mohd. Ali (12 R.A.), and Gnr Ghulam Khuda (H.K.S.R.A.).
 4 x 200 Yards Relay.—Gnr Rocho (5 R.A.), Gnr Perry (5 R.A.), Gnr Mohd. Hussain (H.K.S.R.A.), and Gnr Haidar Ali (H.K.S.R.A.).
 4 x 400 Yards Relay.—Capt P. J. T. Skipwith (5 R.A.), Hav. Mohd. Khandu Singh (H.K.S.R.A.), Gnr Haidar Ali (H.K.S.R.A.), and Gnr Nur Khan (5 A.A.).
 Shot Put.—Gnr Shingara Singh (H.K.S.R.A.) and Hav. Baro Khan (5 R.A.).
 Long Jump.—L/Nk Singara Singh (12 R.A.), and Gnr Haidar Ali (H.K.S.R.A.).
 100 Yards Race.—Gnr Vais Mohd (H.K.S.R.A.), Gnr Baro Khan (5 R.A.), and Gnr Ali (12 R.A.).
 Throwing the Hammer.—Capt P. J. T. Skipwith (5 R.A.), and L/Nk Mohd. Sadiq (5 R.A.).
 Three Mile Team Race.—L/Nk Mohd. Sher Bah (5 R.A.), Gnr Lakman Khan (H.K.S.R.A.), Gnr Jominder Singh (12 R.A.), and Hav. Karam Baksh (H.K.S.R.A.).
 High Jump.—Capt P. J. T. Skipwith (5 R.A.), and Gnr Haidar Ali (H.K.S.R.A.).
 100 Yards Race.—Gnr Rocho (5 R.A.), Gnr Perry (5 R.A.), Gnr Mohd. Hussain (H.K.S.R.A.), and Gnr Haidar Ali (H.K.S.R.A.).

NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller



Australian Army Recommendation

Off-Duty Saluting May Be Abolished

The order requiring Army officers to be saluted when off-duty will probably be abolished in Australia. If the Australian Military Board adopts a recommendation made by Army officers, says a Melbourne report.

Officers consider that the strict observance of Army orders which require men to salute their officers wherever they meet them, is unnecessary on leave, especially in crowded streets, when officers are obliged to answer the salute of every private and brother-officer.

EXPECTED WELSH REVOLT

Hiter's Error

Light on Nazi expectations of internal trouble in Britain in the event of war is thrown by the revelation of an incident which occurred at a Mayfair party some time after the Munich crisis.

Lady Rhys Williams said recently that Frau von Dirksen, wife of the then German Ambassador in London, figured in the episode.

Lady Rhys Williams, who is the wife of Lt.-Col. Sir Rhys Williams, of Pontypridd, Glamorgan, and the daughter of Mrs. Elinor Glyn, the novelist, is certain that Hitler expected a Welsh revolt if Britain went to war against him.

Describing the incident she said: "Frau von Dirksen tried to bully me into an admission that Wales was seething with disaffection and appeared to be canvassing me as a possible Fifth Columnist."

Most Undiplomatic

"She began to talk loudly in the approved Nazi fashion of the wonders of the Fatherland." It was the most undiplomatic performance I have ever experienced.

"That incredible woman got me into a corner and began to question me. She knew I had been the Liberal candidate at Pontypridd and had had something to say about Welsh conditions. She tried to get me to say that the Welsh were anti-British."

"I assured her that they were nothing of the sort; that while the Welsh had their grievances, there was no more loyal people and no finer record in the last war than that of the Glamorgan coalfields."

Refugees From Norway

Cross Atlantic in Ketch

Six men and two women who fled from Norway last June after the German invasion, arrived in New York recently aboard a 63-foot ketch, Ranke II.

The ship left Tromsø, Norway, with 23 Norwegians aboard, but 15 left the ship at Farø Islands and St. John's, Newfoundland, to join British forces. The remainder of the group spent eight months fishing off the Grand Banks.

Capt. Ottar Novik said the trip was uneventful with the exception of an attack by a German plane when the ship was one day out of Tromsø. The plane fired a few machine gun rounds, which did not damage.

Nazis Sell Old Masters To Pay Wages of Spies

ART treasures worth £2,000,000 are being smuggled from Germany to the United States. They are to be sold there to bolster up Germany's foreign exchange and pay for espionage and propaganda in America.

The Ministry of Economic Warfare, by announcing this a few weeks ago, spoiled the Nazi plan for getting rid of the pictures without publicity.

An official of the Ministry said that the paintings, which include three Rembrandts, were probably being taken via Siberia and the Pacific.

To Freeze Credits?

They would be very difficult to intercept.

An American opinion expressed in London was "there is nothing to prevent the Germans using the

It is understood that the recommendation to relax Army discipline as regards unnecessary saluting is likely to be adopted.

If it is, the decision may influence the Navy and Air Force, which demand stricter observance of the practice than the Army.

To-day, as during the last war, officers and men on leave do not "see" one another in the streets, thus getting round Army orders except when unavoidable.

Cut Out In United States

But while this tacit understanding is one thing, to abolish saluting by Army order is another.

The move, which upsets hundreds of years of British Army tradition, follows closely on an announcement that the U.S. Army has cut out off-duty saluting, on the ground that "discipline must be built on intelligence, sportsmanship, individuality and group cooperation by men in the ranks."

Magistrates Walk Out On Solicitor

Three magistrates sitting recently at Maldenhead left the bench when a solicitor declined to apologise for what they considered to be an insult.

Some weeks previously the solicitor, Mr T. A. Stuchbery, declined the invitation of the Mayor, Mr C. G. Kitley, to apologise for an allegation he made last September that the bench prejudged his application for a reduction in contributions to local charities from Sunday cinema performances in the town.

The clerk, Mr C. Thomas, said that he had advised the magistrates that they had better hear what the solicitor has to say.

Mr S. R. Thompson, the senior magistrate, remarked that the imputations made by Mr Stuchbery had not been substantiated or withdrawn. "Until the issue was settled he was not prepared to sit."

Another member of the Bench, Mr E. F. Slade, a barrister, agreed, and added that rather than listen to Mr Stuchbery he would resign from the Bench.

Wrote to Law Society

Mr Stuchbery replied that he had invited the Bench to report the whole of the facts to the Law Society. He had received no communication from the Law Society, and he still awaited any action from the members of the Bench in no circumstances would he deviate from that view.

Three members of the Bench then left the court and the Mayor and two other Justices were left to deal with minor cases.

U.S. MEDAL FOR ENGLISHWOMAN

The 1941 award of the American Snow Medal for distinguished service, has been made to Mrs. Neville-Ridley, secretary-general of the British Social Hygiene Council. Never before has a woman or a civilian been awarded the award.

RESCUED MEETS HIS RESCUER

After Lapse Of 40 Years

During a skirmish between the British and Boers at Bloemfontein, in the South African War, just over 40 years ago, a London Fusilier was badly wounded.

Under heavy fire a man of the 7th Lancers carried the wounded Fusilier to safety and, for his bravery, was promoted to the rank of corporal on the field.

Rescued and rescuer did not meet again until a few weeks ago, when Sergeant John Graham, now of the Home Guard, was having a drink at an inn in his native Egremont, in Cumberland. There he was recognised as the ex-Lancer by the ex-Fusilier, now Pioneer Cook, a native of London, aged 63.

Their Third War

Both men fought again during the last war, and they are now giving their country useful service in a third war.

In front of an embarrassed Sergeant Graham, Pioneer Cook told the men in the inn that Sergeant Graham's deed in Africa deserved the V.C. "For the last 40 years I have hoped to meet John Graham," he added.

SECRET OLD BAILEY TRIAL

During the whole of a three-days' trial at the Old Bailey recently strict secrecy was observed.

An aged man and a youth were in the dock, and owing to the nature of the evidence it was all heard in camera. The indictment was read only after representatives of the Press and members of the public had been excluded from the court.

Police stood guard over locked doors for the three days, and relatives of one of the accused were not allowed in court.

The men were sentenced in secrecy, the usual procedure of opening the court to hear the judge pass sentence not being adopted.

It was Mr Justice Wrottesley who had ruled that the court should remain in camera.

Bridegroom Put On Spot By I.R.A.

Owen Callaghan, 20, of Belfast, had been married only three months. He and his young wife lived happily in their new home. There seemed no cloud on their horizon.

Then came an event which at first bewildered the young bride, and then drove her into a frenzy of despair. Her husband, was kidnapped by the I.R.A.

Mrs Callaghan, refusing to believe at first that her husband's disappearance was linked with going warfare, told the police he was missing.

Frankly she searched the city streets, dark in the black-out, for some clue.

Then they found young Callaghan—shot through the heart. He died within a few minutes of being carried into a nearby house. His enemies had put him "on the spot."

NEW SOVIET CHIEF OF STAFF

Russia's Chief of Staff, M. Meretskov, has been promoted to the rank of Marshal of the Soviet Union.



HELLO, SANDY—Sandy, mascot of the Royal Scots Fusiliers, gets a pat on the head from Mr Winston Churchill, as the Prime Minister visits the battalion somewhere in England. Mr Churchill commanded this battalion in the last World War.

Half of Britain Does Not Use Shelters

WHAT kind of shelter do you use during night raids? A Gallup survey on this question has just been taken by the British Institute of Public Opinion covering the country as a whole.

Here are the answers (in percentages):
Anderson shelter 20
Brick surface shelter 11
Underground station or basement of large building 5
Strengthened room or basement of house 19
No special protection 45

Answers showed that the lower income groups depend more on the Anderson and brick surface shelter type than the higher income group, which relies more on a strengthened room or basement in a house.

Two Per Cent. Fatalistic

People were asked to comment on their mode of sheltering. Here the percentages were:
Satisfied 35
Dissatisfied 40
Don't bother or have not had to use a shelter yet 9
Fatalistic 2
Would make no comment 14
Of those who would give the reason for their dissatisfaction:

14 per cent. were dissatisfied because there were no shelters available.
14 per cent. wanted better shelter than they had.
14 per cent. complained that their shelters were wet, cold or insanitary.

Cold Or Wet

Chief comments from the various types of shelter and from those who had no special shelter were:

Anderson shelter: 23 per cent. said their shelters were cold or wet.
12 per cent. wanted stronger shelters.
Brick surface shelter: 19 per cent. wanted stronger shelters.
20 per cent. said their shelters were cold or wet.
64 per cent. were dissatisfied in some way or other with their shelter.
Strengthened room or basement: 9 per cent. complained that nothing better was available.
15 per cent. wanted stronger shelters.
No special shelter: 26 per cent. complained that nothing better was available.
67 per cent. were dissatisfied.

Wrongful Arrest Damages

An Australian company director who was arrested by mistake for a "wanted" financier was awarded £110 in the King's Bench Division recently against three Scotland Yard officers.

Mr Justice Cassels said that the plaintiff's character had been vindicated and he could look his friends in the face.

"He will be able to tell them the story of his stay of three days and three nights in Brixton Prison, accommodation at which money alone cannot command, but want of money often led people there!"

The plaintiff, Mr Hyman Richard Diamond, sued Det.-Insp. Arthur Reginald Minter and Det.-Sgt. George Arthur Miller, and Donald Campbell, claiming damages for alleged false imprisonment.

The defence was that the police acted with reasonable and probable cause.

Within a few hours of his arrival from Australia on March 31, 1939, Mr Diamond was arrested at a London hotel. He was mistaken for John Woolcott Forbes, an Australian financier, who was "wanted" for alleged forgery.

Passport Stolen

Mr Diamond had said in evidence that Forbes stole his passport at Bombay and returned it to him at Marseilles. He denied any association with Forbes.

The judge added that he was satisfied that each of the police officers thought he was carrying out his duty, and he hoped their careers would not be affected.

Damages were apportioned at £50 each against Insp. Minter and Sgt. Miller and £10 against Sgt. Campbell. Stay of execution was granted pending a possible appeal.

Pretty Claretta Is Mussolini's Latest

A book just published by Dr C. M. Franzero, former London correspondent of the "Giornale d'Italia" of Milan, and entitled "Inside Italy," introduces readers to Mussolini's latest favourite, Claretta Petacci.

She is 26, the daughter of a Vatican doctor and the deserted wife of an aviator who was with Marshal Balbo on the great bomber flight across the Atlantic.

Franzero says that Mussolini met her and her sister romantically. When motoring near Ostia, he passed two pretty girls in bathing suits, who, not knowing the great man, waved for a lift to a beach.

The Duce obliged, bathed and joked with them, and made a date with Claretta.

Enters The Wife

Claretta lives there quietly, although she has had scenes with Mussolini's wife (Rachele) and his spitiro daughter, Edda (Countess Claretta).

The Duce is much attached to Claretta and is said to love and fret if she does not telephone him at the appointed hour.

She not only seeks the affection of the Duce, (says the author), but her father has profited from the situation by articles on popular science which the editor of "Il Messaggero" has been ordering to be published. Her handwriting is beautiful and her hand-sonnets, which have a private telephone

Turks Hope To Escape Embroilment In War

LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—An article by the editor of the semi-official Turkish newspaper "Ulus" is quoted by the Ankara radio to-day under the title of "The Fuehrer's speech and our National Defence."

After pointing out that Turkey is now in contact with the new world war—or anarchy—the writer says that Turkey's unchanging policy is based on independence for national defence and national security.

Asking whether Turkey will be able to defend that policy under the new conditions, the writer says "We are determined to do so, and our desire is to follow our national policy and retain complete freedom."

Stressing that the Turks looked for no advantage to themselves other than to protect the inviolability of Turkey, the article says that Turkey has no designs on territory belonging to others, "nor have others the least right to ours."

"The article concludes, 'Turkey has passed through a twenty months' test in which she has convinced everyone that she will not provoke hostilities on her own frontier. As long as Germany remains faithful to her determination not to provoke war against Turkey and to abstain from giving rise to complications in this country, we too can feel sure that our peace will remain undisturbed. War did not begin in the east, nor will it end there.'

Governor Of Macao's Visit To H.K.

Official Programme Announced

His Excellency the Governor of Macao and Madame Teixeira will pay an official visit to Hongkong tomorrow and will remain in the Colony until Monday morning.

The following programme during their stay in Hongkong has been arranged.

Friday, May 9—12.30 p.m. His Excellency the Governor of Macao and Madame Teixeira arrive and will be officially received by His Excellency the Governor of Hongkong, the landing personnel in the Colony will then be introduced.

His Excellency the Governor of Macao will inspect the Guard of Honour. After the inspection Their Excellencies will drive to Government House.

8.15 p.m. Government House. His Excellency will give an official dinner party in honour of H.E. the Governor of Macao and Madame Teixeira.

Saturday, May 10—1 p.m. Race Course, Happy Valley. His Excellency, accompanied by H.E. the Governor of Macao and Madame Teixeira will be the guests of His Honour Sir Atholl MacGregor, Kt., Lady MacGregor and Mr S. T. Williamson, J.P., at luncheon.

6.30 p.m. Club Lusitano. His Excellency will be present at a reception given in honour of H.E. the Governor of Macao and Madame Teixeira.

Sunday, May 11—10 a.m. H.E. the Governor of Macao and Madame Teixeira will attend Mass at the Cathedral, Caine Road, Hongkong.

11 a.m. Their Excellencies, accompanied by Madame Teixeira will drive to Fanning Lodge for luncheon.

5 p.m.—254-5, The Peak. His Excellency will be present at a reception given by the Chinese community in honour of H.E. the Governor of Macao and Madame Teixeira.

Monday, May 12—8.30 a.m. H.E. the Governor of Macao and Madame Teixeira return to Macao.

LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—Lord Beaverbrook was received at Buckingham Palace by the King to-day on his appointment as a Minister of State.

Japanese Raid Over Sian

SIAM, May 7 (Central News).—More than twenty persons were killed and over ten houses destroyed as a result of the Japanese air raid over Sian yesterday morning.

Twenty-eight Japanese planes, flying in groups of six each conducted raids over wide-spaced areas in Siam. Among the towns visited and bombed were Sian, Siengyang, Tungchow, Tengchow and other cities.

Rushing Plane Production

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" WASHINGTON, May 7 (UP).—Defence circles here to-day indicated that automobile production may be halted to further the plane production programme.

Meanwhile, emergency facilities are being rushed to increase the production of magnesium and aluminium which are needed in the manufacture of bombers.

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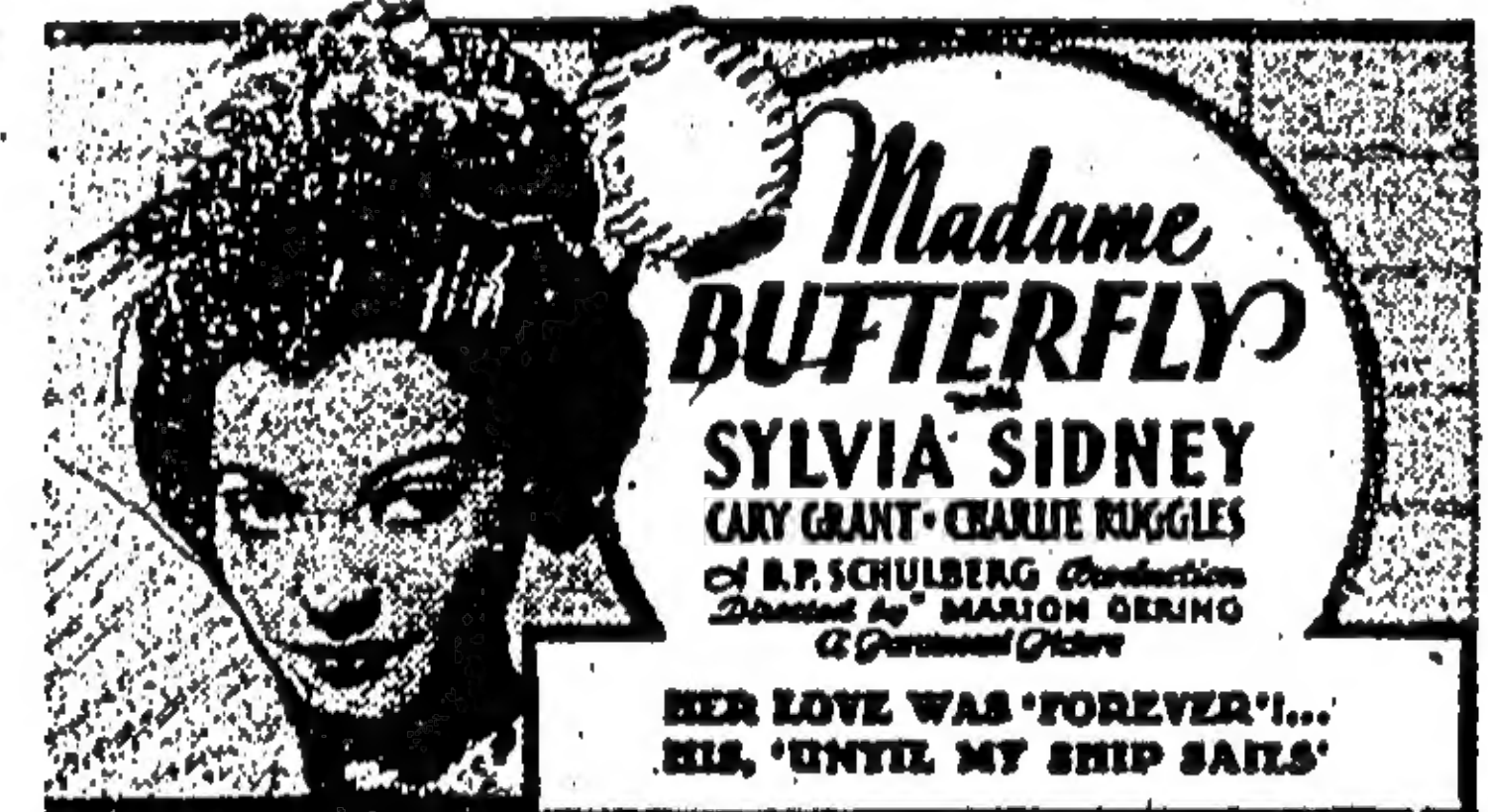
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Thai To Sign Treaty

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BANGKOK, May 7 (UP).—It is officially announced that the Government has instructed the Thai delegates at Tokyo to sign the Franco-Thai treaty thus ending three months of negotiations.

Thailand is paying France "about 5,000,000 ticals" for the utilities and improvements in the ceded areas. The treaty will be signed within a few days.

DRUG DEALER EXECUTED

KWEIYANG, May 7 (Central News).—Wang Hsueh-lun, proprietor of an opium den, was arrested and executed to-day by order of the Yunnan-Kweichow Deputy Pacification Commissioner's Headquarters. He was paraded through the streets prior to execution as a warning to the public.

U.S. Airline To Greenland?

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, May 7, (UP).—Mr. Jesse Jones, Secretary of Commerce, to-day said that the Government is considering the establishment of an airline which might serve Latin America, the West Indies and perhaps even Greenland.

He asserted that authority for the project is contained in a Bill which the House Banking and Currency Committee approved to-day.

He declined to elaborate on the airline plans because it concerns the national defence programme and he did not reveal any specific routes for the projected airline, but merely said that he was "thinking in terms of Latin America."

Hotel Runner Summoned

A runner of the Tai Chung Wah Boarding House, Connought Road, Central, was charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry at Central Magistrate's Court this morning with possession of a forged inoculation certificate, purported to have been issued by the Macao Government, knowing it to be forged.

Defendant is being represented by Mr. C. A. S. Russ and Det-Sergeant J. R. Sykes is prosecuting. Allowed bail in \$150 Defendant was remanded to May 15.

IRAQIS ON THE RETREAT

— FROM PAGE ONE —

leaving 300 prisoners. Our casualties were negligible.

"Constant air patrol is being maintained over enemy positions and aircraft are bringing up reinforcements to Habbaniyah and removing women and children to safety."

The communiqué added that the Iraqis who seized the pumping station between Rutbah Wells and the border have surrendered.

Mediation Will Fail
ISTANBUL, May 7 (UP).—It is known that Turkey has made mediation attempts in the British-Iraq conflict, but authorised diplomatic quarters here believe that any successful mediation is highly unlikely.

It is reported here that Emir Abdullah of Transjordan and the former Premier Dukt-Sabb-Pasha are now on Iraq soil under British protection.

Rutbah Occupied
LONDON, May 7 (Reuter).—British forces have occupied Rutbah on the pipe-line from the Mosul oil fields to Haifa, according to a Rome dispatch to the official German news agency.

Iraqi forces occupied Rutbah last Friday after attacking and taking prisoner an unarmed British working party.

Tam Wal, 21, a gardener employed at Wellington Barracks was given six weeks' hard labour for stealing a metal wrist watch, valued at \$5, from Gunner Palmer of the Royal Artillery, Wellington Barracks, yesterday.

Tax On Toilet Preparations

In the Legislative Council this afternoon, the Hon. Financial Secretary moved a resolution to include toilet preparations which are used only for medicinal purposes in the toilet articles which are now taxable.

He said that a similar tax was in operation in England, and the effect of excluding these articles would be to raise endless questions as to which preparations are used for medicinal purposes and so increase the cost of collection of the duty.

The Hon. Mr. K. Lo, speaking of the resolution, said:

Your Excellency, On behalf of my Chinese colleagues on this Council, I have a few observations to make on the motion now before this Council.

My colleagues and I feel that articles of necessity, including medicines which are commonly used by even the very poor in the Colony should not be taxed along with what are commonly known as "toilet preparations."

I understand from the Hon. Financial Secretary that great difficulties exist in defining and demarcating what are popularly known as toilet preparations as distinguished from medicinal preparations for use on the hair, face or body, which are not toilet preparations.

In a sense every new tax has its contributory effect on the increases of living in Hongkong. But we agree that the revised rates as set out in the Motion do materially remove the objections to the tax mentioned above from the point of view of effect rather than principle. For this reason, my colleagues and I do not oppose this motion.

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LATE NEWS

Rice Monopoly Statement

Introducing a resolution for the Government monopoly of rice imports and exports, the Colonial Secretary this afternoon.

Honourable Members will doubtless have observed in the local press on Sunday and Monday of this week an official statement, in anticipation of the motion which I am about to propose, which followed the receipt of a telegram from the Secretary of State signifying his approval of the scheme in question.

The provision of an adequate stock of rice, not only for reserves against a possible emergency, but also for the daily requirements of the population at reasonable rates, has been the constant concern of the Government almost since the outbreak of war in September, 1939.

The agreement under which war stocks were maintained in the terms of the Essential Commodities Ordinance of 1939 will expire at the end of the month and there is no need to consider an extension of that agreement as adequate supplementary stocks are now held in reserve on Government account. But the rice situation as a whole has in recent months become increasingly difficult partly because of the uncertainty of imports from the normal countries of supply, Indo-China and Thailand, and partly owing to the great difficulty of effectively controlling the prices of various grades of rice by means of Government Regulations. There will continue to be difficulties, especially as tonnage becomes more and more scarce, but it is confidently hoped that the action which is now proposed will go far to improve existing conditions.

Exports To Shanghai

I should perhaps explain that as regards re-export of rice, surplus to our own requirements, for the International Settlement at Shanghai, we are proposing to take special action to assist our friends in that port and that, following a flying visit paid last month by our energetic Rice Controller, Mr. F. C. Barry, adequate arrangements to this end, which should also materially help the soaring price problem in both ports, have been made with the Municipal Council of that Settlement.

As regards the financial commitments of the scheme, which are probably almost as greatly the concern of this Council as the provision of reasonably cheap rice for the Chinese community, I would say that unless the world price of this commodity suddenly falls violently, there is no reason why the monopoly should not be ultimately self-supporting. There must however be immediate outgoings for purchases of rice, and it is proposed to use for these the surplus balances of the Colony up to, say, five million dollars. Beyond that figure the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank has with its customary public spirit consented to give its financial assistance. I should perhaps add that, for accounting purposes, interest at the Bank's rate will equally apply in the case of the sums advanced from surplus balances.

The wording of the second paragraph of the motion is purposely brief, but it is the present intention of the Government to control the re-export of all imported rice to all destinations. The comparatively small amount of rice produced locally will not, at least to begin with, be included in the scheme.

As the opening words of the motion indicate, this is pre-eminently a war measure and there is no intention of interfering perpetually in this primary trade of the Colony's merchants. No terminal date has been put in the motion which I propose, because it seems probable that the system will have to be continued for at least some time after the formal declaration of peace. No one expects world trading conditions to be speedily restored when that day arrives, but it is authorized to say that a return to normal trade will be sought at the earliest moment that such a course appears to be safe.

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Mr. Lo And Night Soil Coolies

At the Legislative Council meeting this afternoon, the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo asked:

Will Government make any statement regarding the recent representations made by the former night-soil collectors now replaced by Government employees?

Hon. Colonial Secretary replied: As Honourable Members are aware this matter has been under discussion for some time. The resolution of the Urban Council in which the change of system was proposed was communicated to the Government on October 9, 1940, and financial provision was included in the Budget for 1941-42. A decision was reached on March 20, 1941, and it was announced that collection by the Sanitary Department would begin on May 1, 1941.

Every effort was made by the Chairman of the Urban Council to induce persons employed on nightsoil collection to apply for employment under the Government and they were given until April 23 to do so. By that date it had become evident that the majority of these would not come forward and it then became necessary to recruit others to take their place.

Since the beginning of this month demonstrations have taken place and representatives of persons formerly engaged in nightsoil collection have been interviewed by Government officials. The object of these representations has been to obtain a postponement until the inauguration of the new system for a considerable period, it being asserted at the same time that the demonstrators have no desire to obtain employment under the Government Scheme.

Reversion Impossible

Departmental collection of nightsoil has been undertaken as a measure of public health with the support of the Urban Council and of the Government's advisers on health matters and a reversion to the former system, or lack of system, is now out of the question; it is felt therefore that no real purpose can be served by further representations on these lines. The attitude of the Government has been clearly stated and no reversal of general policy will be considered. Nor can any claim to compensation for the loss of a privilege which has no legal foundation be considered; cases of individual hardship if brought to the notice of the proper authorities will however receive sympathetic attention. The full gain of collectors has now been lost, but applications from persons formerly engaged in the trade will still be given priority for consideration as vacancies occur; and for any who may become destitute maintenance in Government camps is available as well as assistance for those who wish to return to the country.

Squatters Huts Blaze Queries

The following questions were asked in the Legislative Council this afternoon by the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo:

(1) Will Government make a full statement on the recent fire of the squatters' huts at Tai Hang; and in particular:

(a) What notice was given to the squatters before the huts were destroyed?

(b) By whom, on whose authority and under what powers the huts were set on fire?

(c) Were only the huts destroyed or were personal belongings of the squatters also destroyed?

(d) What arrangements have been made for the accommodation of the squatters whose huts were destroyed?

The Replies

The following replies were given by the Hon. Director of Public Works:

(1) Verbal warnings were given on several occasions by a Land Bailiff of the Crown Lands Office that huts would be demolished if the owners did not do so themselves, and the 'elder of the squatters' was so informed.

(2) The demolition was carried out by a Land Bailiff of the Public Works Department with the co-operation of a representative of the Medical Department. Both these officers held warrants under regulation 37 (1) of the regulations made under Ordinance No. 5 of 1922 (Emergency Regulations) to take possession of, demolish and remove any structure erected without lawful authority on unleased Crown Land.

No huts were set on fire. The huts were dismantled and the poles and timber collected and taken away by lorries to a Government dump at Wanchai; the matting and palm leaves were destroyed by fire to prevent re-erection. This practice has been in force for many years, otherwise sheds are re-erected as soon as the demolition party has left the area.

Only huts were destroyed and each inhabitant was given ample warning to remove his or her personal belongings.

(4) Squatters had previously been offered accommodation and food at Heung Kam by Honourable Director of Medical Services, who stated however, that only 45 persons availed themselves of this offer. Persons who were sick and willing to go to hospital were removed there by ambulance. In other cases, where the occupants were sick but refused to go to hospital or were too old to walk, the hut was not demolished.

To express the hope that Government will reconsider this matter during the operations of the tax and in the light of the experience to be gained therefrom, so that if it is at all possible, articles of necessity and genuine medicinal preparations not commonly used for toilet may be excluded from the tax.

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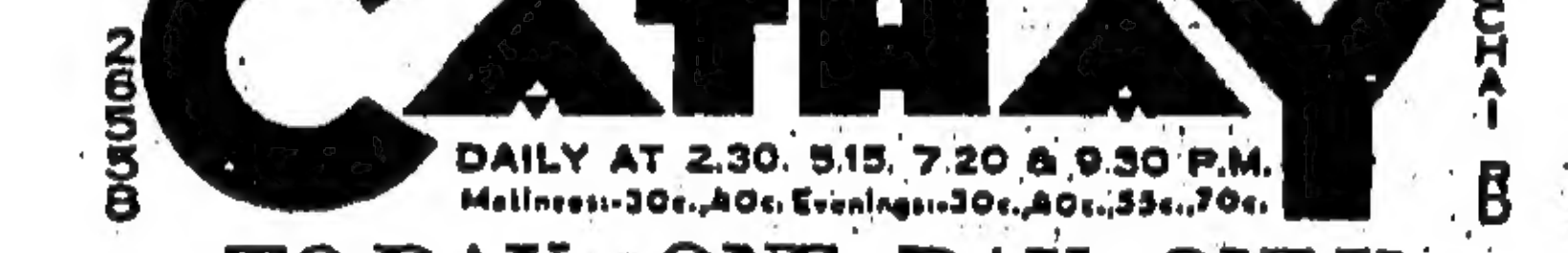
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